

April 14, 2024

**ST. PAUL the APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

511 N. Conrad Street  
Peotone, IL 60468-9290

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708 989-0565

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708 373-0311

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**PARISH BUSINESS MANAGER:** Paula Prium

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**BUILDING & GROUNDS:** Steve Maltese

**FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON:** Paula Prium

**WORSHIP COMMISSION:** Paula Prium

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION / EDUCATION COMMISSION:** Mary Ann Battermann

**SOCIAL SERVICES COORDINATOR:** Mary Ann Battermann

**MINISTERS OF CARE:** Barb Egelski

**DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Dcn Jim Kelly

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**FAITH FORMATION (RELIGIOUS ED) CLASSES:**

Grades K through 8: Sunday from 8:45am-10:15am

Find us—

Facebook: "St. Paul the Apostle Peotone"

Website: [StPaulPeotone.org](http://StPaulPeotone.org)

**SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISM:** By appointment  
**RECONCILIATION:** Thursday: 7:30pm to 8pm  
Saturday: 3pm to 3:45pm  
Any time by appointment  
**FIRST RECONCILIATION:** Sunday, March 17, 2024  
**FIRST COMMUNION:** Sunday, April 28, 2024  
**CONFIRMATION:** Saturday, May 11, 2024  
**MARRIAGE:** By appointment only  
Please call at least 6 months in advance

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Call anytime  
Please call the parish office to inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a parishioner or family member. Privacy laws prohibit hospitals from releasing information to clergy about hospitalized church members without the specific consent and request of the patient or their immediate family.

**ORDINARY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday:** 4pm  
**Sunday:** 10:30am  
**Daily Mass:** Mon, Wed, Thurs and Fri 7:15am  
**Communion Service:** Tuesday 7:15am

**Holy Days of Obligation:** Please see the bulletin

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Thursday 6pm to 8pm

**Communion Calls:** If you or someone you love is ill or homebound and would like to receive Communion, please call the parish office to make arrangements for regular visits.

**Office Hours:** Monday thru Friday 12:30pm to 5pm  
Regular time to make appointments, registrations, etc.

**Regular bulletin deadline:** Wednesday by 12pm

There will be a **PARISH COUNCIL** meeting on Monday, April 22 at 6:30pm.

If you have an interest in serving our parish on this Council or the **Finance Council**, please contact the parish office or Fr. Roger.

The meeting is open to all parishioners.



**The Mission Statement of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church**  
As disciples of Jesus Christ, we strive to grow in relationship with Him, live the Faith, and share His Good News with others.

**COLLECTION SUMMARY: April 6—7, 2024**

Sunday Offertory*	\$3,266.00
Budgeted	\$3,365.38
Minus	\$ 99.38
Envelopes used / distributed	75 / 514
<i>*Includes 10 Online Givers</i>	
Easter	\$ 515.00
Providing for Our Future	\$ 10.00



Secure and convenient **ONLINE GIVING** is available at **GiveCentral.org**.

Please put in zip code 60468 to find the St. Paul portal.

Are you a Catholic man 18 or older? Do you want to volunteer for your church and community? Are you ready to put your Faith into Action? Come learn about the Knights of Columbus! You can obtain information by contacting Membership Coordinator Dan Mott at 708 277-7086 or [mottd@rushenterprises.com](mailto:mottd@rushenterprises.com); contacting Grand Knight Patrick Frencl, visiting with any current member of the Knights or visiting our website at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org).



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Are you called to the *permanent diaconate*? Please see the poster and brochures in the lobby for more information.



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**Deacon Milt Leppert, Joe Ladislav,** Tina Butler, Peggy Schwiesow, Col-lin Bias, Scott Rosenberg, Betty Knickrehm, Arline Clark, Mary Jo Fry, Gerald Adcock, Laura Valenti, Samantha Digiacomio, Julie Szudarski, Owen Ruhbeck, Sharon Andrews, Sue Gomez, CJ Ogalla-Arebalo, Aris Tomac, Joe Rojas, Terry & Mary Urbanek, June O’Flynn, Bob Johnson, Pete Henrisey, Claudia Merrifield, Harry & Pam Carpenter, Ray Romito, Francesca Librera Biondo, Mike Wilczynski, Fran Rewers, Harry & Geri Mokry, Carole Reichert, Pastor Richard Young, Joseph Terri, John Fahs, Jeanne Vinezeano, Frances Librera, Mary Ann Librera, the Adamsick Family, Cassidy Novak, Lavergne Sigrist, Charlie Kooy, Rita Hall, Rose Bailey, Julie Hayes, Emily Klamkin, Lorianne Mihelic, Irene Manning, the Robert Polacek family, Rich Harms, TJ Stefanski, Linda Galica and those that go unnamed.

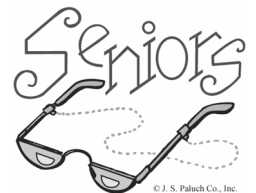
*Please note that only names given with permission of the person or family member will be added to the list.*

**CMAA Pledge Report for St. Paul the Apostle Parish**

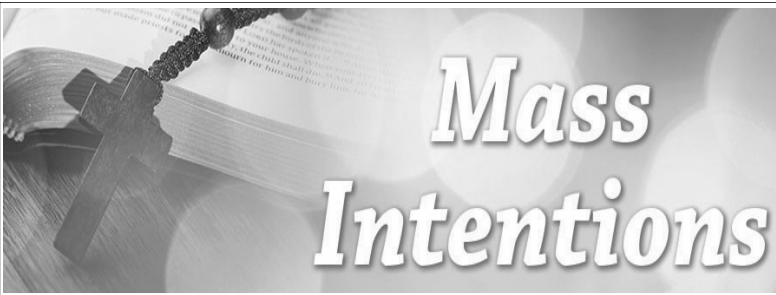
Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. As of April 8, 2024:

<b>PARISH GOAL:</b>	\$16,100
<b>AMOUNT PLEDGED:</b>	\$20,595
<b>AMOUNT PAID:</b>	\$11,685
<b>REMAINING BALANCE:</b>	\$ 8,910
<b>NUMBER of DONORS:</b>	86

The **Peotone Senior Assistance Center** serves clients by appointment only this **Thursday, April 18**, from 10am—3pm. This is part of our Respect Life Ministry, whose mission is to protect the vulnerable and provide seniors, low income and disabled persons with assistance from county, state and federal programs, including Medicare, Social Security, IL License Plate Discounts, and services offered through Catholic Charities. We are also a certified SHIP site (Senior Health Insurance Program). The center is staffed by volunteers who serve the community without cost. For information on specific services, please leave your name and phone number at 708-258-6917 then press 5. **Please make an appointment.**



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Sat	4/13	3:00 pm—	<u><b>CONFESSION</b></u> 4:00 pm— + <u><b>Art Scroogins; +Joey Strubin</b></u> req by Rich & Judy Strubin
Sun	4/14	10:30 am—	+ <u><b>Jim Egelski</b></u> and <u><b>People of the Parish</b></u>
Mon	4/15	7:15 am—	+ <u><b>Pat Motyka</b></u> req by Family
Tue	4/16	7:15 am—	<u><b>Communion Service</b></u>
Wed	4/17	7:15 am—	+ <u><b>George Rittmanic</b></u> req by the Knickrehm Family
Thr	4/18	7:15 am—	<u><b>Our St. Paul shut-ins</b></u> 6:00 pm— <u><b>ADORATION</b></u> 7:30 pm— <u><b>CONFESSION</b></u>
Fri	4/19	7:15 am—	+ <u><b>Anthony Meldzius</b></u> req by Family
Sat	4/20	3:00 pm—	<u><b>CONFESSION</b></u> 4:00 pm— + <u><b>Thomas E. Robbins</b></u> req by Bob & Helen Lewis and <u><b>People of the Parish</b></u>
Sun	4/21	10:30 am—	+ <u><b>Barbara Onak</b></u> req by Rick & Denise Starkey

*If you are attending a Mass that you requested an intention to be said for, please sign the gift bearer book in the rear of the church and let an usher know you are here if you wish to bring up the gifts.*

**POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS for APRIL 2024:**

**For the role of women**

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



**WHY NOT A MASS INTENTION!** If you are thinking of sending someone a get-well card, or a special occasion is coming up, a birthday or an anniversary, why not have a Mass said for them? Mass intentions are for the living as well as the deceased. There's no nicer way to offer tribute, or better prayer you can offer for those you love. For more information, please call the office at 708 258-6917.

**UPCOMING RE / FF EVENTS**

**First Communion:**

Sunday, April 28 at 10:30am Mass

**May Crowning at Masses**

weekend of May 4-5

**Final RE / FF classes:**

Sunday, May 5

**Confirmation:**

*The Sacrament of Confirmation* will be conferred on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 11am by at St. Anthony (Frankfort)

Stay tuned for information on ecumenical **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** June 17—June 21, 2024!

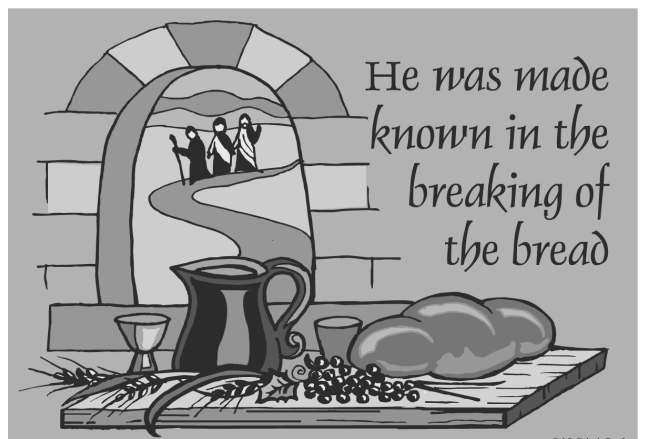
**Friends of the Peotone Public Library District:  
Spring Book Sale 2024**

**Thursday, April 18 (3pm-7pm)**

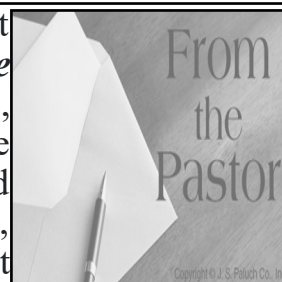
**Friday, April 19 (10am-4pm)**

**Saturday, April 20 (10am-2pm)**

515 N. First St. Peotone, IL 60468  
708-258-3436



Jesus' favorite word after his resurrection is "peace." It is almost always the first word on his lips when he appears to his apostles: "**Peace be with you.**" Every time we celebrate Mass, we hear these same words, spoken to us in the here-and-now of our lives, right before we receive the living, resurrected body and blood of our Lord in Holy Communion: "Lord Jesus Christ," the priest says, "you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you." He didn't give this peace before his resurrection, but afterwards he does give it, and he gives it because we need it. Christ's peace is the antidote to most endemic diseases of modern, secular society: stress, depression, and anxiety. We have all been affected by those diseases. As our friendship with the resurrected Lord grows deeper, we are gradually healed of those diseases, because he brings us his three-fold peace.



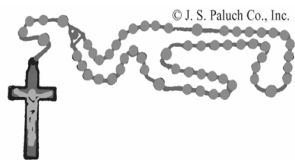
First, peace for our mind. When we look at his wounds, which he still bears in his glorified body, we know for certain that his forgiveness is everlasting; once he forgives our sins, we are truly forgiven; our conscience can be at rest.

Second, peace for our heart. When we see the spike marks in his hands and feet, we know for certain that we are loved with an undying, unconditional, personal, determined love - Christ's love.

Third, peace for our soul. Christ is alive, and he is ruling and expanding an everlasting Kingdom, and he has invited each one of us to help him do that by building up the Church.

We have work to do that matters, that is worthwhile, that will satisfy our thirst for meaning. The peace of the resurrected Christ is what we really need.

+ Rev. Roger D. Kutzner



The **ROSARY** will be prayed during the month of May 30-minutes prior to the beginning of weekend Masses. The Knights of Columbus will pray on Saturday. Volunteer leaders are needed on Sunday. **Please call the parish office (708 258-6917) if you can help.**

Our next **BAPTISMAL CLASS** is scheduled for this **Thursday, April 18 at 6pm.** Parents and godparents are required to attend a class before making arrangements for the baptism of their child. If parents and godparents have attended a baptismal class within the last two years, there is no need to attend again. We encourage you to attend the class during your pregnancy so there will be no delay in your child's baptism.

If you plan to attend, please call the parish office at 708 258-6917.



**St. Michael the Archangel**, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



Polos  
\$21.50  
T-Shirts  
\$10.75

## 75th Anniversary Apparel Webstore

Commemorate the 75th Jubilee in DOJ style! T-shirts and polos (men's and women's) are available to order through **April 15**. Wear yours to the regional Masses this summer and fall! See [diojoliet.org/75th](http://diojoliet.org/75th) for details.



Scan the QR code or visit [qrco.de/75thMerch](http://qrco.de/75thMerch) to order by April 15. Orders will be shipped April 26.

# Rummage Sale

14101 W. Joliet Rd.  
Manhattan, IL.  
60442

at Faith Connection

Thursday April 25 9AM-7PM  
Friday April 26 9AM-7PM  
Saturday April 27 9AM-2PM



To donate rummage items call Dolores at 815 342-1028 by Monday, April 22.

*Some people are wise and some people are otherwise.*

*Adversity causes some to break and others to break records.*

*St. Paul the Apostle's 14th EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION on the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, will be held on Sunday, June 2 at the conclusion of 10:30am Mass.*

*Planning will start soon and we will need volunteers to assist setting up altars, carrying the canopy, etc. If you live nearby on Conrad or Crawford and are interested in volunteering your front porch for an altar, please contact the church office.*





COMMEMORATING 75 YEARS OF CATECHESIS,  
EVANGELIZATION AND SERVICE

# 75th Anniversary Events & Media

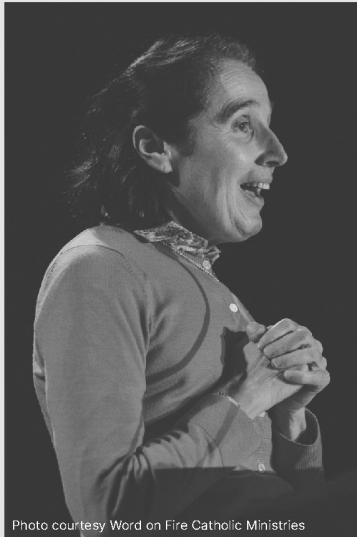


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## The Beauty of Holiness

**A testimony about marriage, family,  
and the sanctity of life**

On the 20th anniversary of Saint Gianna Beretta Molla's canonization, Dr. Gianna Emanuela Molla shares the powerful and inspiring example of her most beloved Saint Mom and Holy Dad.



**May 24,  
2024**

Holy Family Catholic  
Church in Shorewood, Ill.

Event includes veneration of St. Gianna Molla relics, Mass, talk by Dr. Gianna Emanuela Molla, and a dessert reception. For details, scan the QR code or visit [diojoliel.org/w/the-beauty-of-holiness](http://diojoliel.org/w/the-beauty-of-holiness)



2024 SERIES

# THEOLOGY ON TAP

Young Adult  
Ministry



**APRIL 17**  
**Michael Gormley**  
"The Lay Evangelist"



**JUNE 13**  
**Reverends**  
**Jeremy Leganski,**  
**Alex Lorang, and**  
**Jared Rutnicki**  
Newly ordained  
priests of the  
diocese



**OCTOBER 24**  
**Most Reverend**  
**Ronald Hicks**  
Bishop of Joliet

For more information on our Young Adult Ministry (21-29), scan the QR code or visit [catechesis.diojoliel.org/young-adult-ministry](http://catechesis.diojoliel.org/young-adult-ministry)



75th Anniversary Series

## Faith into Action

Sponsored by the  
Diocese of Joliet

*Catholics have been putting their faith into action for 75 years in the Diocese of Joliet — and we have a lot to celebrate!*

## Faith Into Action Podcasts

We've released six episodes of a 14-part series being produced for our 75th Anniversary. New episodes are released on YouTube and podcasts platforms the first Monday of each month. Find them anywhere you get your podcasts, and be sure to hit follow or subscribe so you never miss an episode!

**EPISODE 5** Fr. Steven Borello, director of vocations, and Deacon Luis Ron, a seminarian, discuss vocations.

**EPISODE 6** With a focus on the shrines in the diocese, Fathers Matt Lamoureux and Sunny Castillo share why these pilgrimages can be important spiritual experiences.



Faith Into Action  
YouTube (video)



Faith Into Action  
Podcast (audio)

## Joliet Youth Day



This exciting, first-of-its-kind youth event will be held at Lewis University on June 1, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. All rising 8th graders (current 7th graders) through rising freshmen in college (current high school seniors) are welcome to attend. Participants can sign up as part of a group from their home parish. If there is any teen who wants to attend but cannot find a group to join, their parent/guardian can call the diocese to help them find a group.



[diojoliel.org/w/jyd2024](http://diojoliel.org/w/jyd2024)  
**Registration deadline: MAY 1**



- Engage with national keynote speakers
- Experience uplifting praise and worship
- Deepen their faith through Eucharistic adoration
- Find renewal in Reconciliation

## National Eucharistic Revival



The diocesan website has been updated with the latest information regarding the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, which will pass through Chicagoland from June 26–July 1, 2024, and the National Eucharistic Congress, held in Indianapolis from July 17–21, 2024. Visit the website to register for the Congress or any of the summer events that will be held in the Archdiocese of Chicago:

[diojoliel.org/  
national-eucharistic-revival](http://diojoliel.org/national-eucharistic-revival)

From podcasts and youth events to service and prayer cards, scan the QR code or visit [diojoliel.org/75th](http://diojoliel.org/75th) for the full list of events and activities surrounding the 75th anniversary.



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