

November 5, 2023

ST. PAUL the APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
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WORSHIP COMMISSION: Paula Prium

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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

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: By appointment
RECONCILIATION: Thursday: 7:30pm to 8pm
 Saturday: 3pm to 3:45pm
 Any time by appointment

FIRST RECONCILIATION: t / b / a
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

The EUCHARISTIC MINISTER / LECTOR schedule for November 1 to December 31, 2023 is in the rear of the church. Please sign-up where you can!



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: October 28—29, 2023

Sunday Offertory*	\$3,325.25
Budgeted	\$3,365.38
Minus	\$ 40.13
Adult envelopes used / distributed	72 / 528
*Includes 9 Online Givers	
Providing for Our Future	\$ 125.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 170.00
All Saints	\$ 479.00
All Souls	\$ 117.00



Secure and convenient **ONLINE GIVING** is available at [GiveCentral.org](https://www.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 motttd@rushenterprises.com; contacting Grand Knight Patrick Frencl, visiting with any current member of the Knights or visiting our website at www.kofc.org.



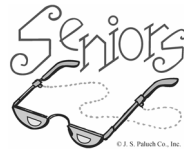
Veteran's Day, honor your veteran's service and sacrifice and make a donation to the **Helping Hands Food Pantry** in their name.

The donation box and envelopes are located in the Religious Education entrance. Every dollar in cash equals \$8 of purchasing power for the pantry.



Joe Ladislas, Owen Ruhbeck, Sharon Andrews, Sue Gomez, Joan Olsen, CJ Ogalla-Arebalo, Aris Tomac, Joe Rojas, Terry & Mary Urbanek, June O'Flynn, Bob Johnson, Pete Henrissy, Claudia Merrifield, Harry & Pam Carpenter, Ray Romito, Francesca Librera Biondo, Mike Wilczynski, Fran Rewers, Harry & Geri Mokry, Carole Reichert, Deacon Milt Leppert, 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, all affected by COVID-19 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.



MEDICARE PART D OPEN ENROLLMENT

Now until—December 7, 2023

The Senior Assistance Center at St. Paul the Apostle is accepting appointments for an annual review of your prescription drug plan.

Premiums, drug tiers and formularies change from year to year. A review ensures you are on the best plan at the lowest cost.

Call 708 258-6917 and press 5 for Senior Assistance. Leave your name and phone number to schedule an appointment.

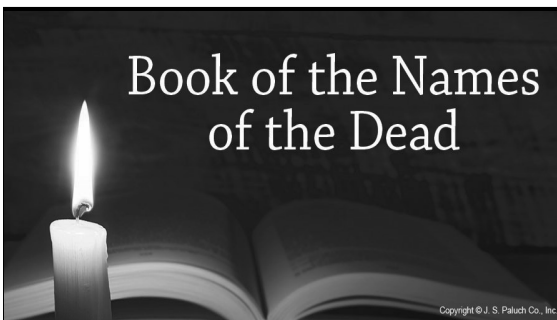
The Village of Peotone and Manhattan Fire Protection District are hosting a **BLOOD DRIVE**, this Tuesday, November 7, from 1pm-6pm at the Peotone Fire Station. For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



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Book of the Names of the Dead

Our **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** is available in the rear of the church. Those listed will be remembered during intercessions during Masses in November.



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Sat	11/4	3:00 pm—	<u>CONFESSION</u>
		4:00 pm—	+ <u>Chad Carder</u> —
			<u>55th Birthday Remembrance</u>
			req by Family and <u>People of the Parish</u>
Sun	11/5	10:30 am—	+ <u>Bob Rademacher</u>
			req by Bob & Helen Lewis
Mon	11/6	7:15 am—	<u>For an Increase in Vocations</u>
Tue	11/7	7:15 am—	<u>Communion Service</u>
Wed	11/8	7:15 am—	+ <u>Leo Pilotto</u>
			req by Larry & Nancy Pilotto
Thr	11/9	7:15 am—	<u>Celebrant's Intention</u>
		6:00 pm—	<u>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</u>
		7:30 pm—	<u>CONFESSION</u>
Fri	11/10	7:15 am—	<u>Peace in the World</u>
Sat	11/11	3:00 pm—	<u>CONFESSION</u>
		4:00 pm—	+ <u>Charles Janus</u>
			req by Arnie & Julie Szudarski
Sun	11/12	10:30 am—	+ <u>William O'Flynn</u>
			req by June O'Flynn and <u>People of the Parish</u>

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

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK November 5-11, 2023

PRAYER

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

—Prayer for Vocations by Pope Francis

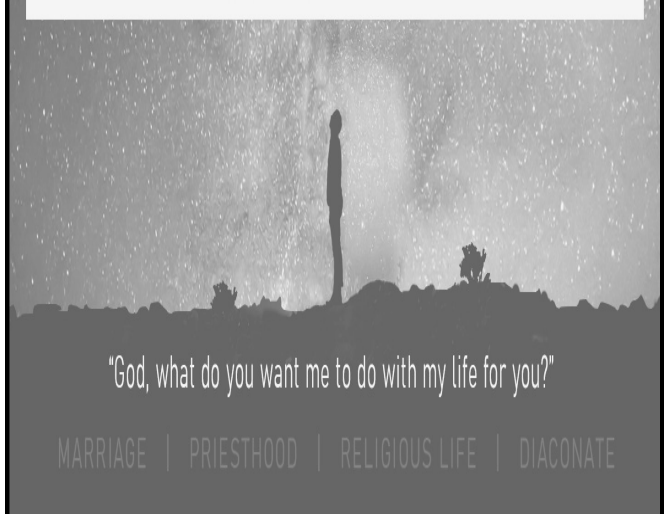
POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS for NOVEMBER 2023:

For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK



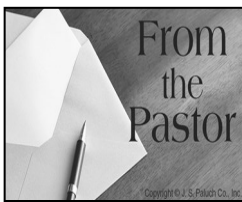
Support our future priests through the *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign

Priests are essential to our Catholic faith, as only these holy men can transform bread and wine into the life-giving Body and Blood of Christ. Although the number of priests has been on the decline for decades, the Diocese of Joliet has been blessed with an abundance of vocations to the priesthood.

Currently, our diocese has 21 men in seminary formation, which costs \$52,250 a year per seminarian. To ensure we are always able to support our seminarians both prayerfully and financially, the Diocese of Joliet has launched the *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign.

At Masses next weekend, our parish will take up a second collection for this campaign. Gifts will be invested in an endowment designated specifically for seminarian education.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this second collection. To learn more about this campaign, or to make a gift online, please go to www.givecentral.org/Seminarian-Education-Endowment-Trust.



A certain priest from a Midwest farming community tells the story of an encounter he had after Sunday Mass one time. He had been preaching about the Gospel passage where Jesus invites all of us to "*come to me, you who labor and are heavy-burdened, and I will give you rest; take my yoke upon you... for my yoke is easy and my burden light*" (see: Matthew 11:28-30). After Mass, while he was greeting parishioners, a man came up and told the priest about his boyhood days: "My grandfather used to plow with a team of oxen. And he used a yoke, but it never balanced. So, he built it heavier on one side and then hitched the stronger ox there. The other side was lighter and he put a weak ox there because he could not pull as much."

That's what God wants to do with us; that's why he sent his son to be one of us and accompany us through life. We are not meant to plow the field of life all by ourselves. When we try to, we make little progress, get frustrated, and maybe even give up entirely when the crop of happiness and fulfillment we are hoping for never materializes.

We were made to live in communion with God, to be dependent on him. To find the interior peace and stability we long for so much, we have to accept Christ's yoke, letting him take the heavy part and carrying our part right by his side. Most of all we need to always remember how much we are loved and treasured by God, our lives have true meaning through our friendship with him.

However it takes time for this truth of our faith to migrate from our heads down to our hearts. We believe it, but we still act, sometimes, as if we didn't believe it. We need to strengthen our faith in this truth, in order to experience its blessings. And one excellent way to do this is to give a bigger place in our lives to the Holy Eucharist. I want to especially encourage you to spend some time with Jesus before exposed Blessed Sacrament (we have it at St. Paul on every Thursday, 6-8 pm). Jesus waits there, patiently, humbly, quietly. He is thinking of us all the time, continuing to offer himself as a sacrifice to the Father for our sake. And we can come and visit him, sharing our joys and sorrows, begging for his help, praying and meditating, or simply sitting and letting his grace penetrate our minds and hearts. We usually look anywhere else for stability in our lives, and sooner or later, we will be deeply disappointed. Being more often with Lord will never fail. None of us will never know this until we have done it trusting in God's faithfulness to all who find refuge in Him.

+Rev. Roger D. Kutzner

SNACK & CHAT, hosted by the CCW, follows 10:30am Mass today! The CCW offers coffee, milk, juice and donuts. We invite everyone to participate in the social life of the parish by joining us at this event!



The annual
ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE
will be held at Peotone United Methodist Church (105 N. West Street) on Sunday, November 19 at 6pm. Join us as we get together with all the Peotone area churches for a time of Thanksgiving worship!

**Join the
"God Squad"
Chapel volunteers
needed!**



Help our veterans celebrate their faith by becoming a *God Squad volunteer* at the IL Veterans Home at Manteno. God Squad volunteers aid residents in attending 1 of 3 weekly services (Catholic, Protestant or non-denominational). Volunteers help by transporting residents from their units to the on-site chapel, assisting residents during services if needed and returning residents to their units after services. Services are:

Tuesday	2pm	Catholic
Thursday	2pm	Protestant
Sunday	9:30am	Non-Denominational

Deacon Jim holds a Communion Service on the 2nd, 3rd (and 4th if there are 5) Tuesday.

Mass is celebrated by Fr. Vern Arseneau or Fr. Tony Nugent on the 1st and last Tuesday.

Please call the Volunteer Office at 815 / 9076-3545 to learn more!



CMAA Pledge Report for St. Paul the Apostle

Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges should continue to be made. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will fulfill our pledges. Since 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 October 29, 2023:

PARISH GOAL:	\$16,700
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$31,445
AMOUNT PAID:	\$29,445
REMAINING BALANCE:	\$ 2,000
# of DONORS:	115
2023 REBATE:	\$ 8,922

Thank-you for your generosity!

UPCOMING EVENTS

VETERANS' BLESSING at Masses
November 11 / 12, 2023

CCW CRAFT NIGHT
November 14 from 6:30pm-8:30pm

THANKSGIVING
Thursday, November 23, 2023
Mass at 8am / St. Boniface 9:30am

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
(a holy day of obligation)
Friday, December 8, 2023
Mass at 7:15am / 6pm
St. Boniface 8:30am / 7:15pm

CCW CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE SISTERS
at ST. FRANCIS WOODS
Tuesday, December 12 / time to be announced



Helping Hands is purchasing 180 holiday dinners. A \$20 donation will provide a **Holiday Meal** for a family of four! Thanksgiving (turkey and all the trimmings) / Christmas (ham & all the trimmings).

Anyone wishing to make a donation can mail it to:
Helping Hands / P.O. Box 508 / Peotone, IL 60468

Welcome to

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

Our warmest wishes to all who celebrate with us. If you are not registered at St. Paul or need to make changes, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail to the parish office (511 N. Conrad Street / Peotone, IL 60468).

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

(____) _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

- () New Parishioner, please contact me
- () New Address or New Phone Number
- () Moving—Please remove from membership list
- () Email—Please add email address to your records
- () Interested in becoming Catholic
- () Send envelopes
- () Interested in Religious Education or OCIA
- () **Interested in Ministry Programs**
- () Would like to be contacted by a priest

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

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Podcast

The first episode of the 75th Anniversary podcast series will launch November 6, 2023. Episodes will be released the first Monday of each month. Watch on YouTube or listen on your favorite podcast platform:



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www.diojoliet.org/75th



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 	 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>		1 ALL SAINTS DAY A HOLY DAY of OBLIGATION MASSES at 7:15am / 9pm	2 ALL SOULS' DAY MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm ALL SOULS' MASS 6:30pm ADORATION / RECONCILIATION following	3 K of C SPAGHETTI DINNER 4:30pm—7pm at ST. BONIFACE	4 RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm St. Charles Borromeo <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>
5 REFF CLASSES SNACK & CHAT after 10:30am MASS	6 CCW BOARD MEETING 6:30pm	7 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm	8 CLOTHE GOD'S CHILDREN 9:45-11am	9 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm ADORATION 6-8pm RECONCILIATION 7:30-8pm	10 VETERAN'S DAY RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm VETERANS BLESSING	11 VETERAN'S DAY RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm VETERANS BLESSING
12 REFF CLASSES VETERAN'S BLESSING	13 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm CCW MAKE & TAKE CRAFT NIGHT 6:30pm—8:30pm	14 CLOTHE GOD'S CHILDREN 9:45-11am	15 CLOTHE GOD'S CHILDREN 9:45-11am	16 MEDICARE PART D 8am-2pm SR ASSIST CENTER 10am-3pm ADORATION 6-8pm RECONCILIATION 7:30-8pm	17 RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm	18 RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm
19 REFF CLASSES ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE at PEOTONE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6pm	20 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm Presentation of the Virgin Mary <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>	21 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm SAINT CECILIA <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>	22 SAINT CECILIA <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>	23 THANKSGIVING MASS 8am 9:30am ST. BONIFACE	24 RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm	25 RECONCILIATION 3-3:45pm
26 NO REFF CLASSES	27 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm	28 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm ADORATION 6-8pm RECONCILIATION 7:30-8pm St. Andrew <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>	29 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm ADORATION 6-8pm RECONCILIATION 7:30-8pm	30 MEDICARE PART D 8am—2pm ADORATION 6-8pm RECONCILIATION 7:30-8pm St. Andrew <small>© U.S. Diocese of Joliet</small>		