

Rock Island's Historic Catholic Parishes



PASTOR'S CORNER

Your Support for the Franciscan Mission in Uganda

In February, Fr. Jozef Matula OFM-Conv., our Franciscan missionary from Uganda, visited our parishes and, over two weekends, had been preaching during this year's Annual Appeal. We thank you especially for your monetary donations. St. Mary's parishioners supported the Franciscan Mission this year with \$998 and Sacred Heart parishioners with \$741. Thank you for your generosity.

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Witold Adamczyk, OFM Conv.

Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed! ALLELUIA! Peace and Goodness. Dear Father Witold, Peter, and Mietek, with all Parishioners of our Franciscan Parish in Rock Island.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, may the power of Love from the Risen Lord Jesus Christ, which is mightier than death, manifest itself in our everyday lives. May this Love strengthen our Hope, fill our hearts with Peace, and confirm our resolve to follow God's will in our daily lives. Easter Greetings from our Franciscan Mission in Africa, Kampala, Munyonyo Martyrs Shrine.



I'm writing to thank all of you for your spiritual and financial support towards our mission and express our great joy, thankfulness, and appreciation.

After I visited Rock Island, I went to Chicago, where I visited some Parishes, Polish communities, and convents where I served with Lenten retreats and recollections. I met many wonderful people, prayed in beautiful churches, and

even went sightseeing in downtown Chicago. I also visited another Franciscan parish in Algonquin. The time was quite intensive.

I arrived in Uganda just a few days before Palm Sunday, and the Holy Week was also very busy; I felt jet lag some days after the flight, and that's why I am writing this message first now. Unexpectedly, the Lenten Season was a very joyful and beautiful time this year.

I'm very grateful to Fr. Witold, Fr. Peter, and Fr. Mietek for the invitation and welcoming me to the Friary in Rock Island. I visited Rock Island for the first time, and I like this

place very much! I really enjoyed seeing your beautiful region just on the Mississippi River. An amazing surprise and wonderful and unforgettable experience was going to the Cathedral in Peoria to visit and pray at the grave of Venerable Servant of God Archbishop FULTON J. SHEEN. I always dreamed of this. I thank God that I could spend this Lent praying with you. It was an amazing grace and beautiful experience to preach the Good News to you all and make the mission appeal.



Thank you very much for your support. Dear sisters and brothers, dear parishioners from Saint Pius X, Sacred Heart, and Saint Mary's, Your generosity and good hearts mean so much to us. Thank you for your openness, charitable contributions, and sharing with the needy. Your significant donation is very helpful for our mission! May Almighty God continue to bless you and your family members, relatives, and friends in all your endeavors. Greetings to All. I wish you a fruitful Easter season, and may the Spirit of Hope that Easter brings give you plenty of blessings and God's graces! HAPPY EASTER to you once again. We pray for all of you and bless you.

In Christ Jesus
Fr. Joseph Matula OFMConv.

The Annual Diocesan Appeal is underway in our parishes!

Thank you to all who have already pledged to the appeal. Every dollar raised over our goal will be returned to our parish to help us with parish projects. The goal for Sacred Heart is \$30,818 and \$16,825 has been pledged. The goal for St. Mary's is \$34,782 and \$20,876 has been pledged.

MASS SCHEDULE & MORE!

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| April 23 | 12:10 p.m. Mass - Rick Tacey ST. MARY'S |
| April 24 | 11:00 a.m. Adoration & Confessions ST. MARY'S 12:10 p.m. Mass - John and Rosemary Steinbaugh ST. MARY'S |
| April 25 | 12:10 p.m. Mass - Special Intention SACRED HEART |
| April 26 | 12:10 p.m. Mass - In honor of Michael VanAcker's birthday SACRED HEART |
| April 27 | 3:00 p.m. Confessions ST. MARY'S 4:00 p.m. Mass - Bob Tanghe ST. MARY'S 5:15 p.m. Mass - Larry and Laurie Senger SACRED HEART |
| April 28 | 8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. Confessions SACRED HEART 9:00 a.m. Mass - Thomas Ott SACRED HEART 10:30 a.m. Mass - David Patton ST. MARY'S |

SACRED HEART PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: April 13/14

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| Offertory Envelopes | \$2,103.00 |
| Loose Money | \$539.58 |
| Online Giving | \$580.00 |
| Property Improvement Fund | \$300.00 |
| Envelopes Used | 64 |

Condolences to Sharon Cramer on the passing of her beloved Bailey, our greeter dog here at Sacred Heart. Bailey brought countless smiles and infinite happiness to every one who met her on their way into Mass on Sunday mornings. She was also the recipient of many treats and gifts over the years from her parish family that loved her. We hold Sharon in our hearts during this difficult time and will always remember Bailey for the joy she brought to all of us.

Congratulations to Ey Nelia Apantenco, who celebrated her Quinceanera here at Sacred Heart this past weekend!

Our next Sacred Heart Dinner will be Thursday, April 25th from 6-8 pm. Please sign-up on the form in the Fr. Anthony Vestibule or on our website!

We have a lot coming up! Mark your calendars and plan on joining us!

- Sunday, May 5: First Holy Communion at 9 am Mass
- Sunday, May 5: Quad Cities Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service at Sacred Heart, 2 pm
- Sunday, May 12: Mother's Day & May Crowning at 9 am Mass
- Thursday, May 15: Confirmation at St. Pius, 5:30 pm
- Thursday, May 23: Alleman Baccalaureate Mass at Sacred Heart, 6 pm

Would you like to sponsor one of our Porch Parties this Summer? Please let Chris Mandle know by phone at (309) 738-5967 or at chrismandle@gmail.com. Depending on weather, our Sacred Heart Porch Parties traditionally run from May-October.

Please consider helping the Sacred Heart Food Pantry! Our food pantry serves dozens of people each weekday as a part of our parish's outreach ministry. This is where your donations of food go on that second weekend of each month. Feeding those in need, however, requires volunteers and we are in need of members of our parish to join this ministry. While the pantry is open Monday through Friday, you could schedule your volunteer time in support of this ministry in a manner that best suits you. Please, consider feeding the poor as part of your works to support Christ's ministry in our parish. Contact Mike Clark at 309-786-6940 if you wish to support this ministry.

ST. MARY'S PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: April 13/14

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| Offertory Envelopes | \$1,425.00 |
| Loose Money | \$761.93 |
| Online Giving | \$445.00 |
| Building Improvement Fund | \$1,155.00 |
| Envelopes Used | 59 |

Welcome to the newest member of our St. Mary's parish family! Celine Marie Schoonmaker, daughter of Scott and Mattingly Schoonmaker, was baptized during 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 14. Celine Marie's godparents are Luke and Lexi Shatek. May God bless her and her family!

Come join us for St. Mary's Spring Salad Luncheon and enjoy our famous chicken casserole and salad lunch! Tickets will be sold at Masses this weekend. Cost is \$10 per ticket. The Spring Salad Luncheon is Wednesday, April 24, with serving from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm in Schroeder Hall. Tickets will not be sold at the door, and a limited number of tickets are available. To reserve your ticket(s), please call Ann at 309-788-1269. Come and enjoy the company of friends while having a delicious lunch!

Salads needed for Spring Salad Luncheon:

Salad donation sign-up sheets are available in the glass house. Salads may be dropped off the morning of (the day of the Salad Luncheon) between 7:30 and 9 a.m. Thank you for your support!

Attention: We will need those who have something in the kitchen refrigerator to remove before Monday April 22nd. Space is needed for our up and coming salad luncheon. Anything left behind will be thrown out.

Save the date! Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 28, there will be an unveiling/blessing ceremony of the new QC PastPort historical interactive sign noting the significance of St. Mary's as the first and oldest Catholic church in Rock Island County. All are invited to attend! The sign will be located on Fourth Avenue, in front of the church. St. Mary's will celebrate its 175th anniversary in 2026.

FLOCKNOTE FOR SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY'S PARISHIONERS!

Get the latest news from Sacred Heart & St. Mary's with Flocknote! To sign up for FlockNote notifications of Mass times and interesting parish information:

Text to the number: 84576
With the message: 123sh (for Sacred Heart)
With the message: 123stm (for St. Mary's)

LOCAL CATHOLIC NEWS & EVENTS

Get the latest news from our local Catholic parishes and groups at www.catholicqc.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry schedules including altar servers, EMHC's, lectors are now available to members of that ministry via Flocknote and/or email correspondence, and to Sacred Heart parishioners on our website.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISHES

Financial support for both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's parishes can be accomplished several ways. If you wish to receive contribution envelopes are not currently doing so, please contact our parish office immediately.

Please also consider giving online. This allows you to keep track of your giving for the year (tax statements) and makes bookkeeping easier for the parishes. If you're interested in this route, please contact the parish offices for more information!

REMEMBER US

Both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Parishes have always been very appreciative of the generosity of their parishioners. We're often asked how you can remember Sacred Heart in your wills, trusts, or via other gifts. It's important that you reference the parish as Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Congregation of Rock Island, Illinois or St. Mary's Roman Catholic Congregation of Rock Island, Illinois.

SACRED HEART FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Weekend is always the 2nd weekend of the month at both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's. We appreciate your support of this vital ministry!

DID YOUR CONTACT INFO CHANGE?

Please let the church office know your new information as soon as possible so that we may update our records.

WHEELCHAIR AVAILABLE

A wheelchair is available for any parishioner who needs a pick up or drop off at the parking lot. It's in Good Shepherd Vestibule at Sacred Heart and the vestibule at St. Mary's.

SACRED HEART & ST. MARY'S CONTACTS

Sacred Heart 794-0660
2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
shrec@sacredheartri.com www.sacredheartri.com

Saint Mary's 788-3322
2208 4th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
stmarysrockisland@gmail.com www.stmaryri.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Office Address for Both Parishes: at Sacred Heart:
2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
Christine Coleman, *Office Manager*

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Catholic Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery is our local Catholic Cemetery - 2901 12th St., Rock Island, IL 61201-5335. Please call them when making arrangements for loved one by contacting them at

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISM: Parents must be registered and doing what is within their means to support the parish and be faithful in sharing the Sunday Eucharist. A baptismal class is required. Godparents must be Confirmed and be practicing Catholics and if married, that their marriage is validly recognized by the Catholic Church. If you are a Sacred Heart parishioner, contact Chris Mandle. For St. Mary's parishioners please contact Christine in the parish office.

MARRIAGE: Diocesan Policy - Please notify the office at least 8 months prior to setting the date for your marriage. Requires completion of the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Whenever needed, please call the parish office. Please advise us of persons in the hospital, nursing facilities, or homebound.

RECONCILIATION: Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. and Saturday: 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. at St. Mary's. Friday: 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. and Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. at Sacred Heart. Also, by appointment.

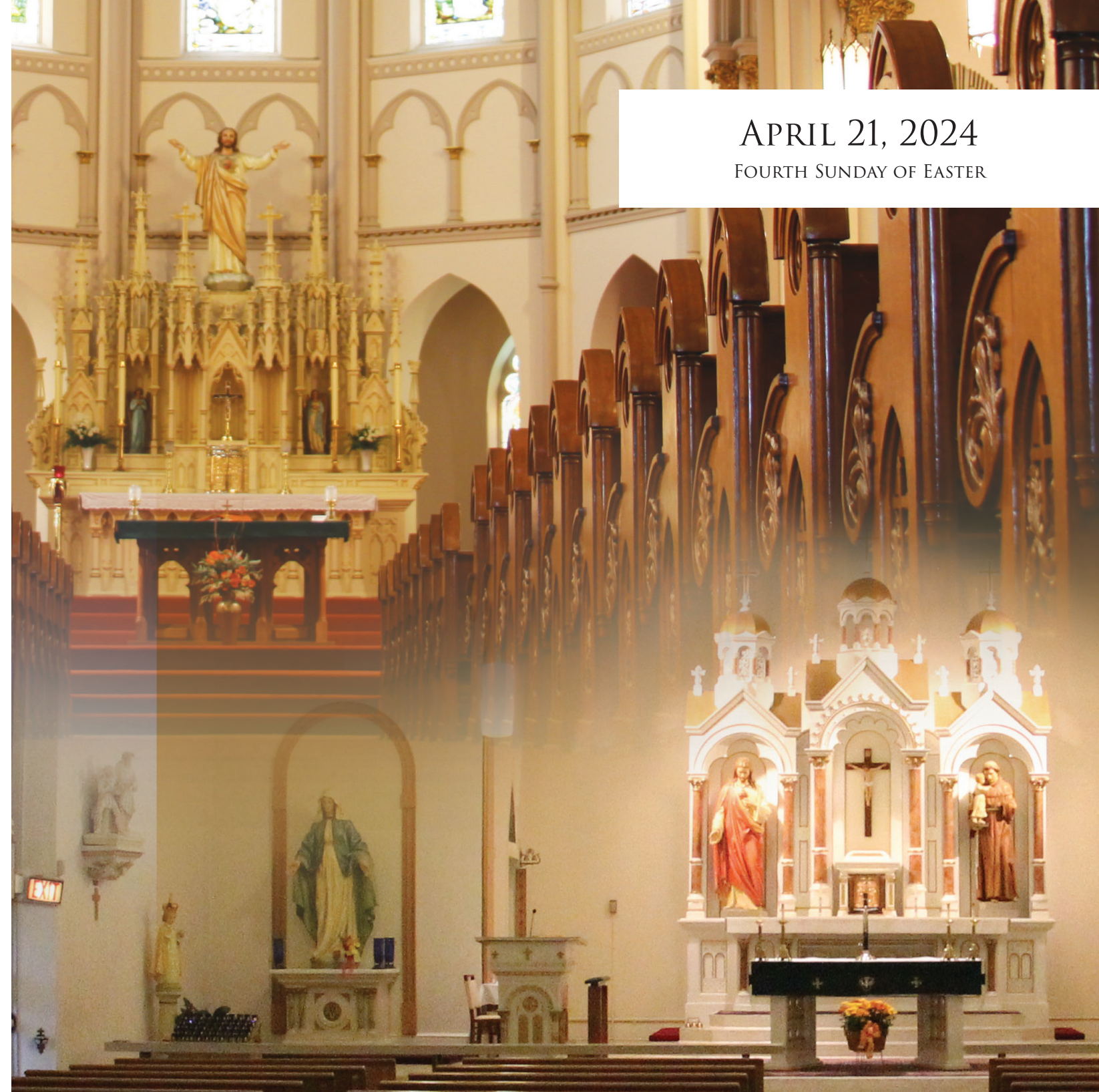
Thinking of joining the Catholic Church?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith, or to join our Catholic community, please contact Christine in our parish office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322 to set up a time with Fr. Witold.

APRIL 21, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

FR. WITOLD ADAMCZYK, OFM CONV., PASTOR
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PEORIA

ADDITIONAL PARISH NEWS AND MORE!

Keep these parishioners, family members, and friends in your prayers:

Joe Cervantes • Mike Clark • Stephanie Smith • Judy Clark • Deb Drish • Rosa Steinbaugh • Lois Evans • Angie Conicella • Ron Boland • Dean Christiansen • Jean Paggen • Rebecca Becker • Mary Kay Orth • Jay Eng • Carol Hougland • Faythe Elsbury • Jack Murtha • John Gross • Randy Burke • Don Barry • Pat Coleman • Robert Slater • Salvatrice Leone • Renee Bleuer • Elaine Jawoisz • Dick and Diane Sabbe • Mary Lou Baumgartner • Kathy Clark • Bailey

If you would like to have prayers offered for parishioners, family or friends, please contact Christine in the office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322 or ricatholicoffice@gmail.com. We will publish these names from time to time as space allows. It'll also be important to alert Christine in the office if someone's name should later be removed from the list. Thank you in advance to all who will be praying for those in need!

A Walk Through the Mass with Fr. Witold:

Want to get more from the Mass? Learn from Fr. Witold, as he gives talks that will help your understanding by walking through each part of the Mass and discussing its form and meaning. The talks are every Tuesday through May 7, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Schroeder Hall. Refreshments will be provided, and babysitting is available. Please contact Christine if you plan to attend at ricatholicoffice@gmail.com or 309-794-0660.

Do Whatever He Tells You - All are invited to a day of prayer and recollection presented by the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Farrell Hall on Saturday, May 4th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Christ Child Society and includes lunch. There is no cost to attend. Free will offerings accepted. Reservations are required. RSVP by April 30th to Mary Anne Dockery-Jackson at dockeryjacksonm@gmail.com or call/text (309)738-4679.

Mass at Trinity Hospital: On the third Thursday of each month, Mass will be held in the chapel at Trinity Hospital, Rock Island, at 10 a.m. Following Mass, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed for all the patients in the hospital.

Healing Our Throwaway Culture: A Focus on Plastics: In recognition of Earth Day, you are invited to attend this educational and prayer program. Learn how

plastic production, consumption, and disposal impacts human and planetary health, and share strategies for personal, community, and systemic actions.

- Wednesday, April 24, 2024
- Time: 1:30–3 pm
- Location: Benet House Retreat Center 2200 88th Avenue West, Rock Island, IL
- Facilitators: St. Mary Monastery Creation Care Team
- Fee: No cost. All are welcome!

For more information contact Gina Howell at (309) 781-9473.

Pro Populo Masses: Often you will see Mass intentions listed in the bulletin as "For the People of the Rock Island Parishes." At one time in the past we also referred to these as Pro Populo Masses. "Pro populo" is Latin for "for the people." There is a requirement of all pastors to celebrate at least one Mass on a weekend for the people entrusted to them. We accomplish this in Rock Island with rotating Masses between Sacred Heart, St. Mary's, and St. Pius X that are celebrated for all of you!

Diocese of Peoria Traveling Monstrance at our local parishes in 2024!

Thursday, May 30 — St. Anne, East Moline

Monday, June 3 — St. Mary, Moline

Thursday, June 6 — St. Mary, Rock Island



The logo for Disney's Camp Rock The Musical. It features the word "Disney" in its signature script font at the top. Below it, "CAMP" is written in large, bold, yellow letters with a black outline, and "ROCK" is in large, bold, teal letters with a black outline. Underneath, "THE MUSICAL" is written in a smaller, bold, black font with a white outline.

Our Lady of Grace, Jordan, and Seton Middle School Drama Club presents "Camp Rock" the Musical

Performances will be held in Alleman High School's Dr. Tracy Spaeth Performing Arts Center (1103 40th St., Rock Island, IL) and are scheduled for May 10th and 11th at 7:00 PM and May 12th at 3:00 PM. The show is around 1 hour and 15 minutes. Tickets are \$6 and will be available at the box office before the show. Please join the cast of 30 students in a high-energy show based on the hit Disney Channel movies! A classic story of rivalry and power, two bands battle it out in a rockin' summer they will never forget.

JORDAN BOOSTER CLUB GOLF OUTING:

WHEN: May 11th, 2024

WHERE: Highland Springs Golf Course

This year Jordan Catholic School is going to Celebrate 50 Years of Excellence by playing golf like its 1974! Theme: 1974 Golf Attire (Prizes for Best Dressed!)



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FIFTY YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

MAY, 11TH 2024

WHERE
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TIME
1:00PM SHOTGUN START



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Date of competition: June 7-9

Where: Worcester, MA

What are we doing:
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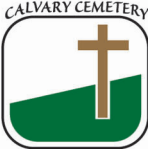
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- Psalm 8:9-10

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