Rock Island's Historic Catholic Parishes



Pastor's Corner

WE ARE AN EASTER PEOPLE

On Sunday, November 30, 1986, Saint John Paul II, in his speech during the Angelus prayer in Adelaide, Australia, said: "Faith is our source of joy We believe

in a God who created us so that we might

enjoy human happiness – in some measure on earth, in its fullness in heaven. We are meant to have our human joys: the joy of living, the joy of love and friendship, the joy of work well done. We who are Christians have a further cause for joy: like Jesus, we know that we are loved by God our Father. This love transforms our lives and fills us with joy. It makes us see that Jesus did not come to lay burdens upon us. He came to teach us what it means to be fully happy and fully human. Therefore, we discover joy when we discover truth – the truth about God our Father, the truth about Jesus our Savior, the truth about the Holy Spirit who lives in our hearts.

"We do not pretend that life is all beauty. We are aware of darkness and sin, of poverty and pain. But we know Jesus has conquered sin and passed through his own pain to the glory of the Resurrection. And we live in the light of his Paschal Mystery – the mystery of his Death and Resurrection. 'WE ARE AN EASTER PEOPLE AND ALLELUIA IS OUR SONG!' We are not looking for a shallow joy but rather a joy that comes from faith, that grows through unselfish love, that respects the 'fundamental duty of love of neighbor, without which it would be unbecoming to speak of Joy.' We realize that joy is demanding; it demands unselfishness; it demands a readiness to say with Mary: 'Be it done unto me according to thy word."

Brothers and sisters, on behalf of our Franciscan community, I wish you to be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and with the joy of the Resurrection. May this feast again give you hope that cannot be taken away from you. May the Resurrected Lord be with you always.

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

Little White Prayer Books for Easter are available to take from our vestibules before or after Masses. We hope you enjoy these prayer books during the Easter season!

A Walk Through the Mass with Fr. Witold: Want to get more from the Mass? Learn from Fr. Witold, as he

will give talks in April that will help your understanding by walking through each part of the Mass and discussing its

form and meaning. The talks will be every Tuesday in April, beginning April 2, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Schroeder Hall. Refreshments will be provided, plus babysitting will be available. To help plan for refreshments and babysitting, please contact Christine if you plan to attend at ricatholicoffice@gmail.com or 309-794-0660.

Our office will be closed on Easter Monday.

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

If you would like to have prayers offered for parishioners, family or friends, please contact Christine in the office at 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!

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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!

April 2	12:10 p.m. Mass - Martin Kness st. mary's
April 3	11:00 a.m. Adoration & Confessions st. mary's
	12:10 p.m. Mass - Gareld Danielson st. mary 's
April 4	12:10 p.m. Mass - Special Intention sacred HEAR
April 5	12:10 p.m. Mass - Albert Martin and Evan
	Martin sacred Heart
April 6	3:00 p.m. Confessions st. mary's
	4:00 p.m. Mass - Dr. Robert Wells st. mary's
	5:15 p.m. Mass - Peter Hien Do and Anna
	Oanh Nguyen sacred heart
April 7	8:30 a.m 8:50 a.m. Confessions sacred HEART
	9:00 a.m. Mass - Mockmore Family and Mike
	Nichols sacred heart
	10:30 a.m. Mass - Al Guerdet st. mary's

SACRED HEART PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: March 23/24

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,204.00
Loose Money	\$493.33
Online Giving	\$775.00
Property Improvement Fund	\$250.00
Envelopes Used	60

Thank you to everyone who helped to clean the church in anticipation of Holy Week! Our gratitude also to Chris Mandle and Tim Smith for coordinating our Holy Week liturgies and to their team who helped decorate for our Triduum Masses. We especially appreciate all of the youth who came down to help decorate, and to all who also served Mass for us. Holy Thursday had 31 altar servers and on Easter Sunday we're anticipating 32 altar servers! It's great having so many youth active in our liturgies!

Sacred Heart Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday,

April 7th! Children of all ages are invited to join us nexzt Sunday, April 7, after our 9 a.m. Mass for our Easter Egg Hunt! The hunt will be located on the greenspace behind the church. We'll have donuts and drinks, cookie decorating, crafts, and more! We also have



bags for all of the children for the egg hunt. In case of rain, the hunt will be cancelled.

Our next Sacred Heart Dinner will be Thursday, April 25th from 6-8 pm. More details coming soon!

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: March 23/24

Offertory Envelopes Loose Money Online Giving Building Improvement Fund Envelopes Used 67

\$2,274.00 \$649.97 \$385.00 \$2,180.00

Thank you! A sincere thank you to all those St. Mary's members who helped clean the church, decorated the church, planned the liturgies, and participated in Morning Prayer on Good Friday, the Good Friday service, and the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses! It's a great blessing to have so many involved, from altar servers to the choir, with a special thanks to our seminarians.

Thank you to Men's Fellowship members Fred Attwood, Frank DeBout, Mike McKinney and Chris Versluis for repainting the window trim in the Schroeder Hall kitchen! It looks great. The Men's Fellowship is always looking for new members to help throughout the parish on these type of projects. Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Easter Egg Hunt on March 31: Join us on Easter Sunday after 10:30 a.m. Mass in the rectory courtyard for an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Altar and Rosary Society and Men's Fellowship. Kids ages 4 to 12 will have many eggs to find with candy, and one special egg will have a message inside. Ages 3 and under will have a special area just for them next to the garage. Bring a bag for your goodies -- hope to see you there! In case of rain, the hunt will be on Sunday, April 7, after 10:30 a.m. Mass.

The Altar & Rosary Society will meet on Tuesday, April 2, after 12:10 p.m. Mass. The rosary will be said before Mass and will be led by Jeri Lauer. Hostesses for the meeting are Judy Kirzeder, Jean Milefchik and Lorrie Dasso.

Lectors for April are Colleen Goebel at 4 p.m. Mass and Scott Anderson at 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Mark your calendar – Salad Luncheon is April 24! The Altar and Rosary Society Salad Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, in Schroeder Hall. Serving will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets will be available soon, so watch for more details.

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 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 Congregaton 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

2208 4th Ävenue, Rock Island, IL. stmarysrockisland@gmail.com

www.stmaryri.com

788-3322

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

Fr. Witold Adamczyk, OFM Conv., Pastor FrWitold@rock-island-catholic.com

Fr. Peter Sarnicki, OFM Conv., Assistant Pastor frpeters@stpiusri.org

Fr. Mietek Wit, OFM Conv., Assistant Pastor

frmietek@rock-island-catholic.com

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 marraige. 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.



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

Thank You

to everyone who sponsored Easter flowers at Sacred Heart this year!

In Memory of:

- Adams/Doyle Family
- Young Family
- Lind Family
- Franks Family
- Rick Whitcomb
- Larry and Laurie Senger
- B.E. and Vivian Thornton
- Lawrence and Florence Senger
- Norma Jean and George Kavanaugh
- Maud and George Kavanaugh
- Ruth and Roy Sellers
- Anna Lawrence
- Cory Creger
- Anna Oanh Nguyen
- Peter Hien Do
- Bud and Joan Fobert
- Roe and Sanden Families
- Nancy Dean, Felice Vogel, Jane Ende, Kathleen Dean
- Frances Brozovich
- Vincent Co
- Margaret DePaepe
- Robert DePaepe
- Billy Hamor
- Cecilia Hamor
- Scott Hamor
- Vincent Huy
- Giuseppe Leone
- Fr. Logan
- Clara, LeRoy and Phil Mosley
- Bonnie Motley
- Anton Nghiem Nguyen
- Joseph Tho Nguyen
- Martha Xuyen Nguyen
- Phero Ton Nguyen
- Thomas Minh Nguyen
- Teresa Vinh Pham

In Honor of:

- The People of Myanmar
- The Studzinski and Popov Families
- Jasmine, Kaley and Jessie Dean

Thank You

to everyone who sponsored Easter flowers at St. Mary's this year!

- In Memory of:
- Frank and Kathryn Anderson
- Marge Attwood
- Bergan and Versluis Families
- Ray and Betty Beswick
- John Bierman
- Bob and Marian Boden and Family
- Gary R. Boden
- Susan Breuwet
- Carolyn (Royal) Brown
- John W. Bryant
- Bonnie Curry
- Stanley and Maryanne Danek
- Joseph Mary Dasso
- Carrie Lucile Davis
- Clyde and Roberta Davis
- Betty DeGrande
- Ethan Dobereiner
- Joyce Schmahl Dreher
- Louis F. Fetes Jr. Family
- Mary Green
- Al Leland Guerdet
- Dorothy Harlow
- Nancy Harlow
- Lee Harlow
- Helen and Bob Hartman and Family
- Don and Jean Haskins
- Fr. John Healy, S.M.
- Tom Hinzman
- Walter and Emily Janik
- Tony and Germaine Kick
- Therese Lootens
- McKinney Family
- Marjory McDonald
- McNamara/Hougland Families
- Anthony and Rose Norbut
- Geraldine Norbut
- Fred Orth

- Matthew and Irene Orth
- Palmisano Family
- Rosemary Padula
- Slim Patton
- Gloria Perrelli
- Mr. and Mrs. S. Perrelli
- Posateri Family
- Clarence and Elizabeth Redecker
- Gomer Royal
- Helen Rudd
- Tami Schmidt
- Fr. George Schroeder
- Rick Tacey
- Joe and Martha Van Hecke
- Alfons and Anna Van Mieghem
- Visitation Sisters
- Maurice and Alberta EngelsWesley and Emma Young



Donuts & Drinks!



Cookie Decorating, Crafts, and more!

ADDITIONAL PARISH NEWS AND MORE!

The Christ Child Society of the Quad Cities is hosting an appreciation event for parishio-

ners and friends who are interested in or have supported our cause of serving infants and children in need. Join us on Tuesday, April 16th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Butterworth Center, 1105 8th St. Moline, IL. We will have a guest speaker who will guide us through "creating a spring bouquet". Materials will be provided. The event is free. Light refreshments will be provided. One basket with two tickets to see Charlotte's Web at PlayCrafters Barn Theater on July 25, 2024, at 7:30 pm. will be given as a door prize. RSVP by April 9th to christchildsocietyqca@ gmail.com

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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.

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

Travel to Italy with Fr. Peter Zorjan Septem-

ber 23 thru October 3, 2024 Fr. Peter Zorjan and 206 Tours are planning a Trip to Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Sorrento and the Amalfi coast. September 23 -October 3, 2024. An optional post-tour to Medjugorje is October 3 – 7, 2024 is available. All are invited to join him on these wonderful tours. To Register go to: www.206tours.com/frzorjan

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!

"Let your door stand open to receive Him, unlock your soul to Him, offer Him a welcome in your mind, and then you will see the riches of simplicity, the treasures of peace, the joy of grace. Throw wide the gate of your heart, stand before the sun of the everlasting light." — Saint Ambrose



Did you Know? Your child can attend a Catholic School & Financial Assistance Is Available! Tuition

assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2024-2025 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed. Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under Catholic Education and then under Financial Assistance. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award. Parents must apply online at: online.factsmgt.com/aid. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2024-2025 school year must reapply. Deadline date for the completed application is April 26, 2024. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2024.

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Academy WEARE HIRING Principal (PreK-8) **Requirements:**

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING SPONSORS!

