



“HEAR ME, ALL OF YOU, AND UNDERSTAND.”
- MK 7:14

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saint Paul

the Apostle

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

Dear SPA Family,

After a year of prayer and discernment, **Thomas ‘Tom’ Robb** will be enrolled by Thomas Bishop Mark Bartosic as a candidate for the diaconate through the Deacon Formation Programs of the University of Saint Mary of the Lake’s School of Parish Leadership and Evangelization. The special liturgy will take place on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at USML’s Chapel of the Immaculate Conception.



Candidacy is the first official recognition by the Church of the positive signs of his vocation to the diaconate, which must be confirmed in the next three years of formation—a period that includes spiritual formation and direction, theological reflection, pastoral ministry experiences, academic courses, human/personal development, field education, internships, and much more.

To get to this point in his formation, Tom has journeyed through a one -year period of discernment called the Aspirant Stage that included prayer, a comprehensive course on the Catechism of the Catholic Church, days of reflection on the deacon’s share in the bishop’s ministries of Word, Liturgy and Charity, monthly spiritual direction, and retreats during which he prayed and reflected, with his family, over his possible call to Holy Orders.

His wife, **Stacy**, also participated in the Aspirant Stage. Her goals were to learn more about the diaconate, and to discern whether she can continue to support her husband through the coming years of formation, and possibly as an ordained deacon. In fact, wives are required to write a letter to Cardinal Cupich that notes their free, informed consent to their husbands’ moving to the Candidate Stage.

While deacons are found in many parishes of the archdiocese, a frequently asked question is, “What is a deacon?” With bishops and priests, deacons receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders. They are full-time ordained ministers living in the midst of the world, most often with full-time careers outside the Church. Deacons may baptize, proclaim the Gospel and preach, assist at the Eucharist, witness marriages, officiate at wakes and funeral services, preside at Benediction, minister at other liturgical/prayer gatherings, offer blessings, and more. These are functions most visible in the parish.

To read Fr. Chris' article or Mary Penich's
Something to Think About... please visit our website

YOUR SUNDAY WORSHIP AID

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION



Purity isn't popular at the moment. Or is it? Look at a rack of health magazines or at popular podcasts. You'll see an infinite ocean of regulations and rituals of diets, intermittent fasting, morning sun rituals, intense juice detox practices, lists of dangerous foods, mental practices, as well as long lists of dos and don'ts for the proper cleaning of clothes, dishes, cars, houses, pets, and children. Like it or not, we long to be pure, clean, and without blemish.

This question of purity haunted people in Jesus' day, too. The Pharisees and scribes (the leading purity authorities of the day) criticize Jesus, asking, "**Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?**" (Mark 7:5). Jesus responds by saying, "**There is nothing outside the person that can defile him if it goes into him; but the things that come out of the person are what defile the person**" (Mark 7:15). What does he mean, and how can it help us be pure?

We've probably all heard the somewhat shopworn interpretation that Jesus replaces the ritual, exterior notion of purity with a moral, interior one. Christianity is thus seen as a kind of moral re-tooling, as if religion doesn't make us pure. Good moral intentions do. But this doesn't take the rest of Jesus' ministry seriously enough, nor our obsession with purity. The better reading is that Jesus audaciously offers himself as the ultimate source of human purity — from *within* each human heart. Both our religious ritual practices and our moral actions are meant to flow from this encounter with Jesus the Lord. When we are in friendship with him, everything becomes pure for us.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

MASS HYMNS

Opening Song: **Gather #826 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (HYFRYDOL)** by Rowland Prichard and William Dix

Gloria: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Responsorial Psalm: **The One Who Does Justice** by Ken Canedo

Gospel Acclamation: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Preparation of the Gifts: **Gather #586 Amazing Grace (NEW BRITAIN);** lyrics by John Newton

Eucharistic Acclamations/Agnus Dei: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Communion Song: **Gather #813 / Spirit & Song #249 One Bread, One Body** by John Foley

Closing Song: **Gather #496 How Great Thou Art (O STORE GUD)** by Stuart K. Hine

READING I

DT 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people:
"Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees
which I am teaching you to observe,
that you may live, and may enter in and take
possession of the land
which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving
you.
In your observance of the commandments of the
LORD, your God,
which I enjoin upon you,
you shall not add to what I command you nor
subtract from it.
Observe them carefully,
for thus will you give evidence
of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations,
who will hear of all these statutes and say,
'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent
people.'
For what great nation is there
that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is
to us
whenever we call upon him?
Or what great nation has statutes and decrees
that are as just as this whole law
which I am setting before you today?"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

The one who does justice will live in the presence of
the Lord.

READING II

JAS 1:17-18, 21B-22, 27

Dearest brothers and sisters:
All good giving and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights,
with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused
by change.
He willed to give us birth by the word of truth
that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in
you
and is able to save your souls.

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding
yourselves.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and
the Father is this:
to care for orphans and widows in their affliction
and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

GOSPEL

MK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come
from Jerusalem
gathered around Jesus,
they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals
with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands.
—For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews,
do not eat without carefully washing their hands,
keeping the tradition of the elders.
And on coming from the marketplace
they do not eat without purifying themselves.
And there are many other things that they have
traditionally observed,
the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. —
So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him,
"Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the
elders
but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?"
He responded,
"Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is
written:
This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines human precepts.
You disregard God's commandment but cling to human
tradition."

He summoned the crowd again and said to them,
"Hear me, all of you, and understand.
Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that
person;
but the things that come out from within are what defile.

"From within people, from their hearts,
come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder,
adultery, greed, malice, deceit,
licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly.
All these evils come from within and they defile."



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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father.
Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,*
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

WEEKDAY PSALMS

Monday: PS 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102
Lord, I love your commands.

Tuesday: PS 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13AB, 13CD-14
The Lord is just in all his ways.

Wednesday: PS 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21
Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Thursday: Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
To the Lord belongs the earth and all that fills it.

Friday: PS 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40
The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.

Saturday: PS 145:17-18, 19-20, 21
The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day

Tuesday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2024

5:00pm: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | Gerena Olaya Monis | Logan Karl | Josslin & Hilary Anderson | Anne Adolphe | John Bloss

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 01, 2024

7:30am: Tim Copeland | Elizabeth Nieman
9:30am: Robert Chester Buttrey | Michael Penich, Sr. | Iñigo Relova | Josefina P. Fernandez
11:30am: Silvestre & Crescencia Elefanté | Paulina Negrillo | David Martinez | Marille Grace Gonzalez
5:00pm: Our Parish Family | Mauro Family

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 02, 2024

9:00am: Scott Kohler

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 03, 2024

7:30am: John Miller | Carl Willaby | Jose & Lubelle Cadiena | Susan McMullen | Harry Nieman

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 04, 2024

7:30am: Joseph & Elizabeth "Betty" Falotico

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 05, 2024

7:30am: Harry Siuda

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 06, 2024

7:30am: Robert & Elizabeth Hund

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 07, 2024

5:00pm: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | Gerena Olaya Monis | James Lavin | Rita Gravel | Elizabeth Johnston

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 2024

7:30am: Howard Dunton | Allison Carino | Ray Totten | Honesto Garibay | John Miller
9:30am: Albert Kozak | Roger Dizon | Julie Hamby | Josefina P. Fernandez
11:30am: Joseph Richardt | Joan Johnson | Silvestre & Crescencia Elefanté | Paulina Negrillo | Michael Bena
5:00pm: Our Parish Family

DONATIONS SUMMARY

Week of August 26, 2024

Sunday- \$11,451	Online Sunday- \$10,729
Sharing- \$315	Online Sharing- \$448
SVdP- \$565	Online SVdP- \$268
Let There Be Light- \$ 1,206	

Month to Date - August

Sunday- \$51,638
Online Sunday- \$36,824
Sharing- \$1,858
Online Sharing- \$1,957
SVdP- \$2,192
Online SVdP- \$1,315
Let There Be Light- \$4,686

SCAN TO DONATE



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Betsy Hastings	Doan Pham
Rev. John M. Ryan	Kim Liwanag-Lynn
Donna Lee Kalinoski	Karen Lopez
Dawn Tsarpalas	Joy Matubang
Margi Kahan	Melody Cook
Brittney March	Jane Heraty
Marlene Leonard	Jacob Bereles
Logan Griffin	Bob Franz
Renee Solano	Cortney Kinahan
Charlene Littles	Marie Kloss
Donna Leonardo	Rod Reyes
Patty Freeman	Betty Falotico
Mark Wilson	Carmen Torres
TJ Christor	Luis Fernando Mathieu
Kelsey Wilder	Daniel Alfaro
Vicki Schafer	Dorothy Stratten
Teresa Corcoran	Keith Kellogg
Alisha Cooper	Lisa Mischke
Margaret Maher	Loretta Miranda
Karen Swazas	Dave Erickson
Priscilla Baylon	Darrel Alfonso
Francisco Doreza, Jr.	Carla Irwin
Joe Laureano	Alice DeSilvia
Cherry Laureano	Marionys Guerrero Jimenez
Margaret Gaubhran	Richard Kot
Tom Asna	Charles Smith, Jr.
Orietta Giannetti	Adriana Aparicio
Marquetta Wilson	Pearla Villareal
Maria Iwinska	George Pratscher
Victoria Magat	Suzelle Conze
Teresita Villamoran	Kathy Hunt
Martha Andradi	Jackie Herrera-Giron
Melissa Fernandes	

Please know that we pray for all of the sick at every Mass. However, if you would like your name or that of a sick loved one to be included in the list above, please email or call

Catherine in the Parish Office:
info@spa.church or 847-918-0600



In loving memory of our recently deceased parishioners. May God's perpetual light shine upon them.

*Jim Hunt
Teresa Casapao*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2024 11:00AM RECONCILIATION 5:00PM MASS	THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 7:30AM MASS 8:00AM HOLY HOUR 10:00AM THE CHOSEN SPECIAL SCREENING 6:30PM THE CHOSEN SPECIAL SCREENING 7:00PM BAPTISM PREP CLASS 7:00PM K OF C OFFICERS MEETING	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 7:30AM MASS 9:00AM FF SUN K-6 9:30AM MASS 11:30AM MASS 1:00PM BAPTISM - TRUDEAU 1:30PM BAPTISM - DIAZ 3:30PM CF 1 & 2 & HS 7-8 & HS 4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL 5:00PM MASS 6:00PM FALL KICKOFF CONCERT
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 7:30AM MASS 9:30AM MASS 11:30AM MASS NO 5PM MASS	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2024 7:30AM MASS 6:00PM WEDDING REHEARSAL - TUQUILAR	
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2024 LABOR DAY 9:00AM MASS	SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024 6:30AM MEN'S LEGACY/PAUL'S GARAGE 8:00AM LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 11:00AM RECONCILIATION 1:00PM WEDDING - TUQUILAR 5:00PM MASS	
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 7:30AM MASS 8:00AM HOLY HOUR		
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024 7:30AM MASS 9:00AM VISITATION - IVANTIC 10:00AM FUNERAL - IVANTIC 3:00PM GRIEF SUPPORT		

SEPTEMBER 7/8 | LITURGY SCHEDULE

	LECTORS	COMMUNION MINISTERS	GREETERS	PRESIDER
SATURDAY 5:00PM	Larry Kolaczowski Mike Biarnesen	J. Hauck N. Hortelano T. Kamps J. O'Brien T. Rusnak C. Wicinski E. Wicinski	Julie Wedell Pam Balmes	Fr. Chris Dn. Mike
SUNDAY 7:30AM	Jeff Bautista Tom Krissek	T. Burns K. Calendo L. Holland E. Kurien D. Mumm D. Nieman T. Zdenanlik	Bob Zorc Mary Zorc	Fr. Chris Dn. Brent
SUNDAY 9:30AM	Beth Penfold Greg Soulje	C. Anderson J. Bautista S. Estorque R. Gbur M. Klemann P. Moriarty C. Nielsen	George & Renee Pratscher	Fr. Joe Dn. Andy
SUNDAY 11:30AM	Anna Richardt Margaret Beth Sanchez	R. Auguste E. Colcol T. Deneke-Dattalo G. Galano A. Richardt A. Stahl S. Tebbetts		Fr. John Dn. Bob
SUNDAY 5:00PM	Nancy Fink Teen or Lector I	C. Bertke C. Crow M. Gaytan C.Karl T. Marchioni JJ Plamoottil A. Wattlelet		Fr. Charles

Faith Formation Formation

Registration for K-12th grade - 2024-2025 IS OPEN.

At St. Paul the Apostle, we are passionate about bringing our young people into a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ.

We have dedicated Catechists, engaging formation, and dynamic prayer experiences. Enroll your child now!

Classes begin the week of Sept 8. Registration closes Sept 15!



FAITH FORMATION

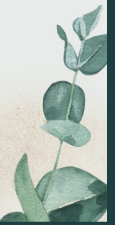
We are still looking for
Substitute Catechists
and Teen Helpers for
the Wednesday 5:30-
7pm sessions. This is a
great way for service
hours to be fulfilled!
Please help if you can!



PRAYER - FOR EVERYDAY
AND EVERYBODY

Prayer for Labor Day

Dear Lord,
Bless and protect the men and women
whose hard work provides food and
shelter to them and their families,
services to our communities, and care to
our world. Be with them as they work, but
also as they rest and recreate in Your
care. Amen.



**LABOR
DAY
MASS**

**SEPTEMBER 2
9AM**

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

ORIENTATION &
1ST REHEARSAL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH
5:00PM - 6:00PM

Register today
on our website!



RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Saint Paul

the Apostle

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER! CLASSES BEGINNING SOON!

Are you, or do you know someone, interested in becoming Catholic?

Do you, or someone you know, desire to receive any or all of the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist?

Have you been away from the Church and feel the need to be refreshed in the teachings and practices of the Catholic Church?

Are you a fully participating cradle-Catholic who might want to serve as a witness and mentor to others who are on their journey of faith?

THEN RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) IS FOR YOU!

Please register for St. Paul the Apostle RCIA program at
WWW.SAINTPAULTHEAPOSTLE.CHURCH

Weekly classes will be held on Sunday mornings from 9-11:00am beginning late September and run until April 19, 2025 when the sacraments will be received at the Great Easter Vigil.

Contact Deacon Bob Birck with any questions at deaconbob@spa.church.



BAPTISM PREP CLASS

The **Baptism Preparation Ministry** prepares parents for their children's baptisms by reflecting upon the Sacrament of Baptism, parents' and godparents' roles after children are baptized, and the family's place in our faith community. First-time parents are requested to attend before their child's baptism.

The next class is **September 5, 2024 at 7pm** in the Church.



The Council of Catholic Nurses of Lake County (CCNLC) will host their 2024 Fall meeting on Saturday, September 14, at St. Peter's Church in Volo.

All local nurses are welcome to attend!

We will begin with Latin mass at 8:00 am, followed by breakfast with a presentation on the Tridentine Latin Mass by the Canons Regular of St John Cantius. There is no cost to attend but please bring a donation for the food pantry. Enjoy networking with nurses in the community, exploring topics of interest, opportunities for community outreach, and cultivating spirituality.

Please contact Debbie at (847) 975-7115 or debbieboucher48@gmail.com to RSVP. Hope you can join us! St. Peter is located at 27551 Volo Village Rd in Volo, near the intersection of routes 12 and 120.



“LET FREEDOM RING”

10th Annual Quilt Raffle in memory of Joe Falotico. Drawing is November 24, 2025.

All Donations are for Celebration of Giving - Catholic Charities Christmas gifts.

My name is Diane Kennedy, I'm Joe's daughter and have donated over \$18,000 to help Celebration of Giving to date.

My Dad was a huge Santa helper and loved making children smile. He loved singing & helping in many ways. I'm trying to keep his efforts alive by doing what I can with a hobby that I do enjoy doing as well. If you're interested in helping by purchasing a tickets in September please stop by the table, share a story and get your ticket or tickets. \$5 each OR \$20 gets you 5 tickets. Your help and support will definitely help someone in need this Christmas holiday. Thank you in advance and I look forward to seeing & meeting you all.

Wednesday BIBLE STUDY



**Bible Study starts on
September 18th,
on both mornings
(9:30 - 11:00)
and evenings
(6:30 - 8:00)
at the Parish House.**

Let's revisit the Bible Timeline Short Course, which gives us such a great perspective of salvation history and goes over the BIG picture of the Bible, especially the Old Testament.

It also covers the Gospel and Acts to complete the story! It will be 9 weeks with a Holiday dinner at the end. You can sign up on the website or call Barbara at (847) 767 - 1202 or email at barbarawagner25@earthlink.



ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

FALL KICKOFF CONCERT

SEPT. 8,
6:00PM



FREE ADMISSION!



Craig and Kristen Colson

BIG THANKS

car show



GOLF CLASSIC



SANTO NIÑO DANCE



Knights of Columbus
Santo Niño Committee
Golf Committee
-Char Nielsen & Sharon Mikolitis-

The Sto. Niño group wishes to send a heart felt gratitude to our parishioners for the support and generosity from the dance fundraiser "Summer Solstice in August". The group raised the amount of \$5,487. The funds will be used to support the Sto. Nino feast happening here at St. Paul in January. A portion of these proceeds also benefits our Teen Life Ministry and an approved charity, the Rogationist Seminary in the Philippines.



KNIGHTS CORNER

LOCAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11112 RECEIVES TOP AWARD

St Paul the Apostle Parish, Knights of Columbus, Divine Mercy Council 11112 has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, sponsorship of faith formation programs, and service-oriented activities and promotion of fraternal insurance benefits.

To achieve this award, Divine Mercy Council 11112 worked closely with the St Paul the Apostle parish to promote our Catholic values and support worthy organizations throughout our local community. The council supports several organizations including SPRED and Warren Special Recreation Association (WSRA) through our three Tootsie Roll (ID) Drives for individuals with intellectual disabilities. For each of the past two years we have supported 6 seminarians with their personal expenses with the Vocation Raffle program. Council brothers participate in the 40 Days for Life – Waukegan mission throughout the year to pray for the sanctity of life. For over 30 years, our council has sold Christmas trees and other decorations with our Cub Scout troop to "Keep Christ in Christmas" and support all our other programs.

We welcome those men 18 years or older to join our council. Can you imagine what more our council could achieve if we had another brother or two in our council? Please contact a member of our council or scan the QR code.

Vivat Jesus,
Greg Johnson, Grand Knight
Divine Mercy Council #11112

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St Paul the Apostle Gurnee

Eagle Scout Memorial Garden Bench Project

Hello! My name is Lauren D'Souza and as some of you may recall, I recently reached out to my fellow parishioners requesting donations to fund my Eagle Scout Project. Following my appeal, I received an influx of donations and was humbled by the generosity of our parishioners, giving my project the means to live up to its full potential. The initial draft of the project consisted of constructing 4 park benches for the Stations of the Cross Memorial Garden. However, the surplus funds allowed me to enhance the original design with solar powered

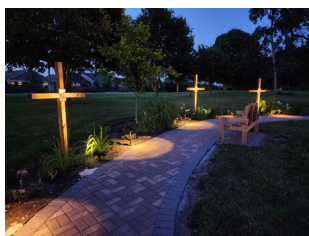


spotlights for each of the 14 crosses along with pathway lights for the pavement thereby exceeding its original scope. The illumination of this area makes it clearly visible at night transforming it into an inviting venue for travelers on Hunt Club and Gages Lake Roads (Feel free to stop by and check it out at night!) After meeting all of the financial obligations of the project, I donated \$600 back to the church to fund the next hospitality weekend and use the remainder of the funds for the "Let There Be Light" campaign.

I'd like to cordially thank all the parishioners of St. Paul for all of their support and generosity! In addition, I would also like to personally thank Fr. Chris, Mr. Jerry Simpson, and my encouraging father for their continued assistance and guidance over the course of my Eagle Project and Scouting career. My gratitude is limitless and it is



because of you all that I can proudly say that, as of July 5th, I am Troop 1996's 2nd female Eagle Scout, and will continue to live up to the high standards that comes with this honor! I will be continuing my education at THE Ohio State University (Go Bucks!) and I am looking forward to the numerous opportunities that I will encounter. Thank you all once again and have a blessed week!



SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT EVERY DAY?

Mary Penich



If you enjoy reading Mary Penich's reflections in our parish bulletin, try her daily online editions. These shorter reflections - just a few paragraphs - offer a bright start to your day every day. Don't worry! They're good for afternoon and evening reading, too! Just go to www.marypenich.com to see what you've been missing. If you like what you see, sign up to receive a short post every day. Of course, there is no charge.

CATHOLIC TEACHING ON LABOR

QUESTION:

As we celebrate Labor Day, can you tell me about Catholic teaching regarding labor?

ANSWER:

One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: *Rerum Novarum* (1891) by Leo XIII, *Quadragesimo Anno* (1931) by Pius XI, *Laborem Exercens* (1981), and *Centesimus Annus* (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Genesis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. We are thus formed to share in God's continuing creative activity by partnering with God in finishing the world and helping bring it to completion and fulfillment. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands self-discipline.

Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in *Laborem Exercens* #6, "the value of work is not primarily the kind of work being done, but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person." Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching.

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



MARRIED IN 1974?

Have you registered for the annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass?

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on **Sunday, September 15, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.** The Mass will be held at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois.

Please email gwa@archchicago.org or contact your parish office with any questions. To register online, please visit pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding.

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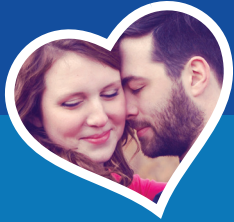


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