

“I AM THE TRUE VINE, AND MY FATHER IS THE
VINE GROWER.” —JN 15:1

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saint Paul

the Apostle

APRIL 28, 2024

Dear SPA Family,

The radio, TV, smartphone, fridge, washing machine, lamp... cut off from the power source are just pieces of furniture/device of no great value. They do not fulfill their essential task. The moment they are connected to a power source, they take on their full value and begin 'to live'.

It is the same with our spiritual life. **In order for each of us to bear the fruit God intended, we must strive to be constantly united to Christ.** Jesus compares Himself to the vine and us to its branches. He says: *"I am the true vine; you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him bears much fruit, because without me you can do nothing"*.



Just as the value of the branch, its vitality and fructification depend on union with the vine, so also the value of our life depends on our union with Christ. *What does that mean exactly?* Well, this means that **each of us is a branch planted by Christ in a vineyard named 'Church'**. Each of us is to bear the fruit that God set for him when he chose him and gave him a special calling.

So, what should we do to be with Christ continually? First of all, we must try to live in a state of God's grace. Everything else; prayer, Holy Mass, Holy Communion, keeping the commandments, faith, love – these are the means or results of living in God's grace.

Thanks to Christ, we know that **God Himself is the source of our spiritual life.** Thanks to his love and grace, everything we do in our lives takes on meaning and value. *"Whoever remains in me and I in him, the same bears much fruit"*.

The misfortune of dying outside God's grace and being unable to bear fruit usually begins with little things. It begins with neglect in the morning or evening prayers and ends with stopping praying altogether. We start slowly to skip Sunday Mass and end up stopping attending the Eucharist. We neglect confession before Christmas or Easter, and we end up not going to confession for a few or many years.

The same happens in our dying outside commandments and moral values. We start with the first cigarette and end with an insatiate craving for it. It starts with one glass of wine and often ends with an alcohol addiction. We reach out for the first dose of the drug, and it may end up wasting and losing health and life. It innocently starts with a flirtation, and I may end with divorce, the breakdown of marriage and family.

Let us remember that as many times as we cut ourselves off from Christ and His grace, we die and bear no fruit. No wonder our hearts grow cold, and, in many cases, we end up deviating completely from Christ. Separated from Jesus, not only do we fail to bear God's commissioned fruit, but our lives also end in a spiritual defeat. Then the words of Christ are fulfilled: *"Whoever does not remain in me will be thrown out like a vine and wither. And it is picked up and thrown into the fire and it is burned"* (Jn 15.6). Nobody wants that! I don't... and I believe that you do neither.

Let us therefore remain in union with Christ. This is our mission and calling here on earth. The value of our actions, our prayers and the value of our lives depend on it.

Have a Blessed Week, Fr. Chris

To Read Mary Penich's **Something to Think About...**

please visit our website, click "Media" on the homepage, then click "Mary's Reflection"

YOUR SUNDAY WORSHIP AID

Fifth Sunday of Easter

GOSPEL MEDITATION



My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly, overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, “Jesus would never prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you.”

I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week’s Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, “**He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit**” (John 15:2) I don’t mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps ignorant of arboriculture. But I’d wager his main confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God’s love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn’t it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it’s not his work at all. In the moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ’s body. Jesus’ rising is the brand-new growth. It is God’s promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth.

— Father John Muir ©LPI

MASS HYMNS

Opening Song: **O Come to the Altar** by Mack Brock, Wade Joye, Christopher Brown, and Steven Furtick

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

Responsorial Psalm: **I Will Praise You, Lord** by Tom Tomaszek

Gospel Acclamation: **MASS OF SAINT KILIAN** by Curtis Stephan

Preparation of the Gifts: **Remain in Me (I Am the Vine)** by Curtis Stephan and Steve Angrisano

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

Communion Song: **A Place at Your Table** by Ben Walther

Closing Song: **Gather #442 Sing with All the Saints in Glory (HYMN TO JOY)** arranged from Ludwig van Beethoven by Edward Hodges, lyrics by William J. Irons

At Sunday 5:00pm: **Spirit & Song #181 Christ Is Risen** by Matt Maher and Mia Fieldes

READING I

ACTS 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple.

Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.

He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord.

He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him.

And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace.

It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

READING II

1 JN 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything.

Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us.

Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

GOSPEL

JN 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.

You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you.

Remain in me, as I remain in you.

Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches.

Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned.

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.

By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."



“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.” — Jn 15:1-2

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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: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

WEEKDAY PSALMS

Monday: Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16

Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the glory.

Tuesday: Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21

Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Wednesday: PS 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Thursday: PS 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10

Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Friday: Ps 19:2-3, 4-5

Their message goes out through all the earth.

Saturday: Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: St. Pius V, Pope

Wednesday: St. Joseph the Worker

Thursday: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; National Day of Prayer

Friday: Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

5:00PM: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | Gerena Olaya Monis | Marion & Jack Henderson | Farrell Kane | Clara Myers | John Carter Bennett

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

7:30AM: Carl Willaby | Eduardo Gonzalez, Jr. | Winston Casis & Casis Family | Lidwina Duka

9:30AM: Violetta Querubin | Casis Family | Abdula Trinidad Castille | Mike Bena

11:30AM: Silvestre & Crecencia Elefante | Paulina Negrillo | Margaret Zanco | Miroslaw Polkowski | Cesar Alamon

5:00PM: Anne Adolphe

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024

7:30AM: Betty Kinsey | Jenn & Tom Mauro | Eduardo G. Gonzalez, Jr.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

7:30AM: Harry & Jeanette Siuda | Raul Dominguez Martinez

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

7:30AM: Rosita Hortelano

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

7:30AM: Romulo Regaya

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

7:30AM: Our Parish Family

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

5:00PM: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | Gerena Olaya Monis | Robert E. Grum, Sr. | Scott Kohler | John Carter Bennett

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

7:30AM: Richard P. Siegel

9:30AM: Robert Chester Buttrey | Bruce Grampo

11:30AM: Maureen Schroeder | Grace Vogt | Alfredo Sanchez

5:00PM: Nairobi Aldana

DONATIONS SUMMARY

Week of 4/22/2024

Sunday- \$13,690

Sharing- \$301

SVdP- \$481

Let There Be Light- \$355

Almsgiving- \$203

Easter- \$221

Online Sunday- \$8,533

Online Sharing- \$265

Online SVdP- \$302

Month to Date - April

Sunday- \$49,682

Online Sunday- \$38,282

Sharing- \$476

Online Sharing- \$1,755

SVdP- \$1,510

Online SVdP- \$1,813

Let There Be Light- \$5,233

Almsgiving- \$3,032

Easter- \$32,720



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Rod Reyes
Brian Reynolds, Jr.
Dianne Scirri
Ted Jameson
Betty Falotico
Michael Bockstahler
Edward Machak
Bryon Patterson
Inesa Bekeris
Cortney Kinahan
Alice DeSilvia
Bernadette Gaffney
Stephanie Rappe
Angie Toon
Jeff Klemann
Jeanine Hudson
Shannon Fleece
Jacob Alderman
Enrique Figueroa
Ross Gube
Jason Govednik
Rosa LaBellarte
Russ Lawson
Roberta Becker
Emily Meyer
Betsy Hastings
Rev. John M. Ryan
Donna Lee Kalinoski
Dawn Tsarpalas
Anna L. Schmidt
Margi Kahan
Brittney March

Marlene Leonard
Logan Griffin
Pete Albamonte
Laurie Zwolfer
Renee Solano
Charlene Littles
Donna Leonardo
Patty Freeman
Mark Wilson
TJ Christor
Kelsey Wilder
Vicki Schafer
Teresa Corcoran
Alisha Cooper
Margaret Maher
Karen Swazas
Priscilla Baylon
Francisco Doreza, Jr.
Joe Laureano
Cherry Laureano
Margaret Gaubhran
Tom Asna
Orietta Giannetti
Marquette Wilson
Maria Iwinska
Victoria Magat
Teresita Villamoran
Gerald Gundrum
Martha Andradi
Melissa Fernandes
Doan Pham

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.

Grace Vogt

Pilar Delannoy

Norma Vargas Migali

Al Fullone

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

8:30AM LECTOR TRAINING - VICARIATE I
 8:30AM BCBP MEETING
 11:00AM RECONCILIATION
 12:30PM BAPTISM - GARBER
 5:00PM MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

7:30AM MASS
 9:00AM FF | SUN K-6
 9:30AM MASS
 11:30AM MASS
 1:00PM BAPTISM - MVOMO
 1:00PM STO. NINO CHARITIES MTG
 4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL
 5:00PM CF | HIGH SCHOOL CONF.
 5:00PM MASS
 6:00PM LIFENIGHT

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024

7:30AM MASS

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

7:30AM MASS
 8:00AM HOLY HOUR
 2:00PM FAITH SHARING
 5:00PM KID'S CHOIR REHEARSAL
 6:30PM SPRED
 7:00PM FIREPLACE TALKS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

7:30AM MASS
 9:30AM BIBLE STUDY
 3:00PM GRIEF SUPPORT
 5:30PM FF | WED K-6
 6:30PM BIBLE STUDY
 7:00PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL
 7:00PM LIFETEEN CORE TEAM MTG

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

7:30AM MASS
 8:00AM HOLY HOUR
 6:00PM 1ST COMMUNION REHEARSAL
 7:00PM BAPTISM PREP CLASS
 7:30PM K OF C OFFICERS MEETING

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

7:30AM MASS

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BAKE SALE
 6:30AM MEN'S LEGACY/PAUL'S GARAGE
 10:00AM FIRST COMMUNION
 11:00AM RECONCILIATION
 5:00PM MASS

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

7:30AM MASS
 9:00AM FF | SUN K-6
 9:30AM MASS
 11:30AM MASS
 1:00PM BAPTISM - SALDANA
 1:30PM BAPTISM - MACROWSKI
 2:00PM BAPTISM - CALZADA
 4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL
 5:00PM MASS
 6:00PM LIFENIGHT

MAY 4/5 | LITURGY SCHEDULE

	LECTORS	COMMUNION MINISTERS	GREETERS	PRESIDER
SATURDAY 5:00PM	Jackie Senger Warren Kati	J. Hauck T. Kamps J. O'Brien C. Wicinski E. Wicinski		Fr. Joe Dn. Ivan
SUNDAY 7:30AM	Elsa Kurien Michael Beaudoin	T. Burns L. Holland E. Kurien D. Mumm D. Nieman		Fr. Joe
SUNDAY 9:30AM	Jeff Rediger Matt Schwarz	C. Anderson J. Bautista R. Gbur M. Klemann P. Moriarty	George & Renee Pratscher	Fr. Michael Dn. Brent
SUNDAY 11:30AM	Manny Bautista Dodee Yedinak	T. Denecke-Dattalo G. Galano J. Schoenherr A. Stahl S. Tebbetts		Fr. Michael Dn. Andy
SUNDAY 5:00PM	Barbara Wagner Teen or Lector 1	M. Gaytan C. Karl T. Marchioni JJ Plamoottil A. Serek		Fr. Joe Dn. Bob



FAITH FORMATION
Now Enrolling **2024-2025**
 K-6
 7-8
 HIGH SCHOOL
 CONFIRMATION



XLT

Join us for Adoration with Praise and Worship Music!
 Sunday, April 28,
 after the 5pm Mass.



**SPRING
 BAKE SALE
 MAY 4/5**

Women's Fellowship is presently few in number, and they need your help in baking and table selling at **Spring Bake Sale** on May 4th and 5th.

Email Joyce at jlatz@hotmail.com or call the parish office [847 918 0600](tel:8479180600) to indicate at which Mass time you wish to help.




FIREPLACE TALKS
TOM ROBB
GONE FISHING
TUESDAY - 7PM - 4.30.24



April 2024 Edition

KNIGHTS CORNER

Divine Mercy Council wishes a blessed Easter season to all parishioners. A special thank you to those parishioners who participated in our Lenten Fish Fry and More fundraiser at the Khayat restaurants. We will have our first Tootsie Roll (ID) Drive at the Ace Hardware in Gurnee on Saturday and Sunday, April 27-28th. Once again, we will be distributing rosaries during the month of May.

Last month, we welcomed two new brothers to our council to continue our mission this year. We welcome those men 18 years or older to join our council. Please contact a member of our council or scan the QR code.

Divine Mercy Council 11112



St Paul the Apostle Gurnee

Vivat Jesus,

Greg Johnson

Grand Knight

Divine Mercy Council #11112

GRIEF JOURNEY MINISTRY

"What we have once enjoyed deeply, we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes a part of us."
-Helen Keller

You are invited to join with us as we gather with others who have lost a loved one. Here you will find support and encouragement in abundance.

We meet in the church every first and third Wednesday at 3:00pm. The next meeting is May 1, 2024. Call or email Barbara Kapple, MS @ 847-212-9951

barbara.kappler12@gmail.com

All is confidential; facilitated by a professional counselor

TOTUS TUUS SAVE THE DATE

7th - HIGH SCHOOL
SUNDAY, JULY 14th -18th

1st - 6th GRADE
MONDAY, JULY 15th - 19th



REGISTRATION is OPEN on our WEBSITE!

OUR MOTHER'S DAY TRADITION CONTINUES...



On Mother's Day Weekend, May 11 and 12, Deacon Mike will again read the book, **LOVE YOU FOREVER**, as part of his children's homily. Deacon Mike will read **LOVE YOU FOREVER** at the 5:00 Mass, Saturday evening, May 11, and at the 9:30 Mass, Sunday, May 12. Please join us for this annual celebration of our mom's and God's love for us!

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 May 2, 2024 at 7pm in the Church.



Deacon Mike and Operation Rice Bowl Thank You!

When Dn. Mike brought the last bit of Rice Bowl change to the bank, he smiled! Our Religious Education students, parents, staff, and all our parish family worked together to provide for those in need. Who knew that saving change and a bit of extra cash could be so powerful? You knew because you did it!

This year, your coins, paper money and checks amounted to \$2,942.34! What a difference your generosity will make! Dn. Mike can't thank you enough for taking this Lenten project to heart.

If you still have a Rice Bowl, please drop it off at the desk in the gathering space. If you'd like to donate, please place it in an envelope marked "Rice Bowl" and drop it into the collection baskets or bins. We'll get your offering to the right place! Thanks again for all that you do!

Let there be
LIGHT



**30th Anniversary
Memorial
Garden**



We started replacing the lighting system on the upper level of the church. The lighting in a church is very complicated and requires replacing and installing many components, panels, cables, and new lamps. Thank you for your continued donations.

Now, bricks can be ordered for up to 4 or 8 lines and up to 20 characters per line. You can permanently remember a loved one or honor your family, friends, or anniversary by purchasing a commemorative brick.

donate to the lighting project or order a brick at www.saintpaultheapostle.church

MEMORIAL GARDEN - BRICK ORDER FORM

Purchaser's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

NOW, up to 20 characters per line (spaces and punctuation are considered characters). PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

4" X 8" brick (up to 4 lines) ----- 8" X 8" brick (up to 8 lines)

- 4" x 8" brick = \$200
- 8" x 8" brick = \$400

- 4" x 8" brick + replica = \$260*
- 8" x 8" brick + replica = \$500*

* Two similar engraved bricks will be ordered: one brick for Memorial Garden, and another for you to take home.

20% OFF All Communion Items

Valid In Store and Online. Must have Item code 990. Expires 4/30/2024



4"x 6" Italian Gold Leaf Mosaic Plaque with Certificate on reverse.
 Boys 990-0463
 Girls 990-0464
 Was \$12.50 **Now \$10.00**



First Communion Bible
 St. Joseph New Catholic Bible Edition. Includes First Communion certificate.
 Girl-Pink 990-0395
 Boy-Blue 990-0396
 Was \$28.00 **Now \$22.40**



7 Piece Deluxe Communion Gift Set
 Includes: Deluxe Missal, Deluxe Rosary, Deluxe Rosary Case, Bookmark, Satin Purse (girls), Scapular and Pin.
 Girl 990-0507
 Boy 990-0005
 Was \$48.99 **Now \$39.19**



6" Satin Finished Fine Art First Communion Chalice/Cross
 990-0665
 Was \$24.95
Now \$19.96



Etched Glass First Communion Remembrance Plaque
 990-0020
 Was \$13.99 **Now \$11.39**



6mm Matte Pink/Floral Rosary with box
 990-1060
 Was \$41.99
Now \$33.59



6mm Hematite Cord Communion Rosary with box
 990-1054
 Was \$34.99
Now \$27.99



7" White Plush Stuffed Communion Teddy Bear with Gold Embroidered Chalice.
 990-0243
 Was \$13.99 **Now \$11.19**

Aid For Women Invites You to Our Annual

spring luncheon

2024



To Benefit Aid for Women Pregnancy Care Centers and Maternity Homes

Thursday
May 9th


11:00am Reception | 11:45am Luncheon | 12:30pm Program
Skokie Country Club | 500 Washington Ave., Glencoe, IL
\$125 Per Person | \$1,250 Table of 10

Featured Speaker:
Isabel Brown

Isabel Brown is a full-time independent creator, livestreamer, and author giving a voice to Generation Z by breaking down culture's most important topics to thousands of viewers in a real-time, authentic format.

For more information, reservations and sponsorship information, visit the event page at www.helpaidforwomen.org/springluncheon2024 or contact us at (312)621-1107 or contact@aidforwomen.org.

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April 7, 2024

Rev. Chris Ciaston, Pastor
Saint Paul the Apostle Parish
6401 Gages Lake Road
Gurnee, IL. 60031

Dear Pastor Ciaston,

In gratitude we thank you for the check in the amount of \$2,354.00 from the people of Saint Paul the Apostle.

We are very grateful for the generosity and support that comes from our Sister Parish in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

It means so much to us all at Saint Thomas the Apostle that you are with us, and helping us meet the immediate needs of our ministries.

Thank you for your kindness and the kindness of the parishioners of Saint Paul the Apostle Parish.

Patia R. Jones
Patia R. Jones
Director of Operations,
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

St. Paul the Apostle

Craft Show & Sale 2024

Saturday, Nov. 9th 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

6401 Gages Lake Rd., Gurnee, IL
(lower level Gathering Space)

Application available
on the St. Paul Website



Magnificat
A Ministry to Catholic Women



You are Invited to a Prayer Breakfast
Mother's Day Weekend!

Saturday, May 11th, 2024 at 9 AM
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Crystal Lake, IL
Keynote: Sr. Appolonia Irika, DMMM

For RESERVATIONS visit our website:
<http://www.Magnificat-Ministry.net/chapters/il-mchenry/>
Sponsored by Mary-Mother of the Eucharist- McHenry, IL Chapter



Leave a Legacy to Bring Hope to the World
As we stand before God's promise to make all things new,
please consider one of the greatest acts of stewardship by
including a gift to our parish in one of the following ways:

**Will or Trust - Retirement Assets - Life Insurance Policies -
Charitable Gift Annuity**

For a free step-by-step guide to
reviewing your estate plan, please contact
Marguerite Q. Zappa, Planned Giving Officer,
Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.848.3068 or
mzappa@archchicago.org.

2024 Taste of St. Paul "Let there be Light" Benefit

Sat. June 1st 6-8p Church Basement

**Share your favorite specialties with
the St. Paul Parish.**

We are looking for contributing chefs!



Please bring 150-200 small samples.

Ethnicity _____ Chef's Name _____
Name of Dish _____
Contact Information:
Name _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____
Send to cnrielsen@saintpaultheapostle.church by Sunday, May 19th.

PCM BIO- AMY SABOR



Amy Sabor is pleased to serve as your new Parish Council Chair. As a parishioner, Amy has been involved with Kindergarten Faith Formation, Arts & Environment and Prayer Shawl Ministry. Originally from the Metro Detroit Area, Amy was raised Roman Catholic at Our Lady Queen of All Saints in Fraser, MI. Growing up, Amy enjoyed celebrating both her Polish and her Greek heritage. She attended public school and graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in Horticulture. In 2000, she moved to the north suburbs of Chicago to manage high profile commercial landscapes. She eventually met Mark Sabor and married into the parish in 2005. She enjoys attending Mass with her husband, in-laws (Frank and Angie) and three children. Amy deeply cares about helping parishioners feel welcome and a sense of belonging. In her free time, Amy enjoys crochet, listening to Podcasts and walking her Labrador named Nash.

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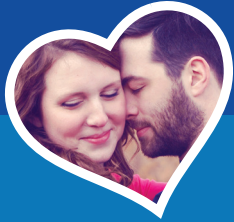


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