

# Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

September 24, 2023

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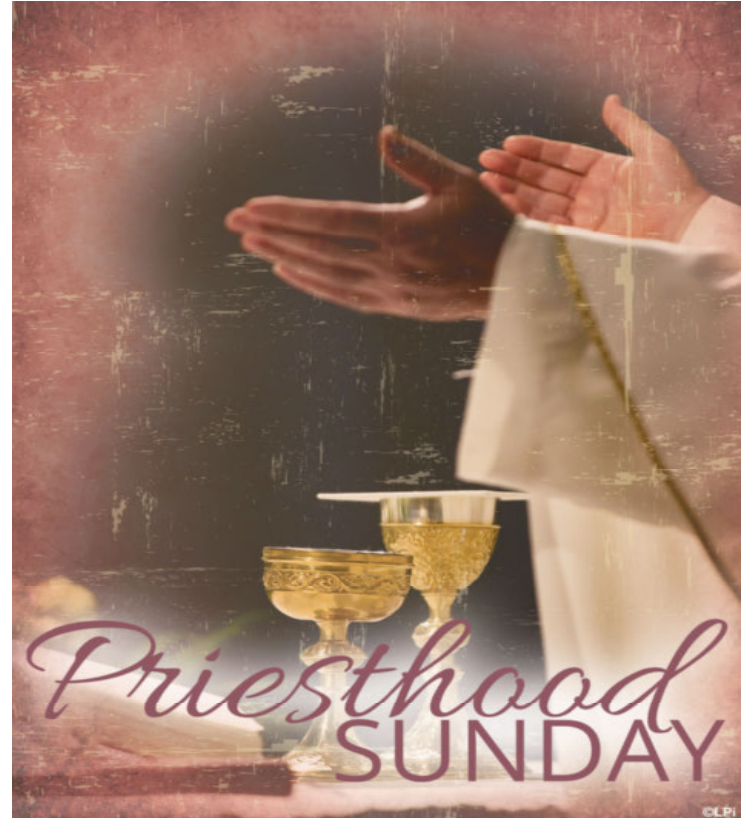
## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Bernie Sehr.....Pastor  
For Spiritual Emergencies Only.....(815)-570-2340  
William H. Vincent.....Acolyte  
Marilyn Ellerby.....Business Manager  
Krystin Helin.....D.R.E.  
Sara Franco (331)234-4877.....Hispanic Ministry  
Sandra Sanchez.....Hispanic Ministry

## Support Staff

Edwina Vincent.....Parish Secretary  
Scott Helin.....Custodian

Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson.. Dennis Miller  
Parish Finance Council Chairperson. David DeCraene



### Mass Times

**Weekend:** Saturday . . . 5 pm  
Sunday . . . 8 am & 10 am, 12 pm (Spanish)

**Weekdays:** Tuesday 5:30 pm  
Wednesday—Friday 9:00 am

### **CONFESSIONS:**

Tuesdays: 5:10 p.m.-5:25 p.m.  
Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.-4:50 p.m.  
Confessions may also be heard by appointment.

### **BAPTISMS:**

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

### **HOLY MATRIMONY:**

Preparations are to be made with Father at least six months prior to the desired date.

**ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:** (Anytime) Please notify your pastor promptly whenever anyone in the parish is sick or injured.

*Please note:* If you are in a hospital or health care facility located outside of Sandwich, you are to call the nearest parish for a priestly visit.

## Mission Statement

"We, the family of St. Paul Parish, live the gospel message of Jesus Christ through worship, education and outreach to all ages. We strengthen our parish and community, respecting our rural traditions, while welcoming the growth and cultural diversity that awaits."



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hand. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### Everyday Stewardship

As everyday stewards, I hope that each of us try to live daily lives of generosity for the glory of God. I hope that we are all working to cultivate characteristics of a good everyday steward so that we can grow in maturity of faith and draw closer to Christ. But if we could accurately see on a magical computer spreadsheet how everyone else around us was living life would it impact how we lived out our stewardship way of life? If we found out that others weren't trying as hard as we were or they were not nearly as generous would it give us reason to pause?

In the workplace, school, and general life, people can easily look around and choose to adapt what they are doing to match more closely what others are doing. Why give work more hours if no one else is willing? Why give a 20% tip to a waiter if you suspect everyone else is only giving 15%? Why spend hours studying for a test when no one else is taking it that seriously?

Our lives of stewardship should never be measured against that of others. Even though we are all called to give all we are and all we have to God, each one of us is unique in our response to that call. Instead of any type of comparison that may temper our generosity, we should hold to the truth that the more we give of ourselves the more fulfilled we will feel. Also, as we grow in our relationship with God, the more we will want to glorify him. Stewardship is not a competition. It is a call to serve God without counting the cost.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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Thank you to everyone who donated pies & who made donations for pies. 148 pies were donated. That's 888 pies of pie sold for a PROFIT of \$4,070.00!

We asked for help & you responded. 61 parishioners signed up to help -and many more showed up to help. All jobs were covered for the 84 shifts we have! Thank you-We had a great year because of YOU!

### Christian Women News

The beautiful quilt, made and generously donated by Connie Wiley, was won by Keith Warpinski of Naperville. Thank you Connie and to everyone who purchased chances and all of the Christian Women volunteers who sold tickets at Masses and at the Fair.

We appreciate all of your help & support! Christian Women's first meeting will be Oct. 3, 2023 in Kane Hall at 6:30 p.m. All women of the parish are welcome to attend.

### Readings for the week of September 24, 2023

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a)/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

### Observances for the week of September 24, 2023

Sunday: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

Tuesday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

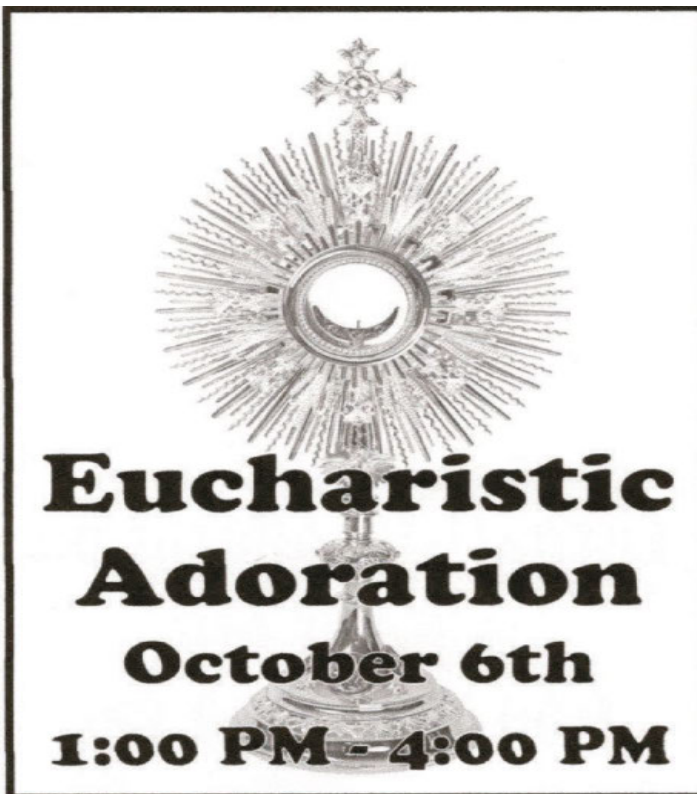
Thursday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

Friday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Saturday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

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**DIocese of ROCKFORD**


**2023 Diocesan Appeal**  
**KNOW HIM**  
**SEE HIM**  
**Have Faith in Me**

Each year, the Diocesan Appeal raises critical funds that make our ministries and programs possible in our parish and in the our entire diocese. These programs include support for Catholic Charities, seminarian formation, Catholic schools, and so much more. Please prayerfully consider making a gift to this year's Diocesan Appeal. We thank you for your consideration and your commitment to our diocesan faith community! Thank you very much to those who have already given to this Appeal!

You are invited to the Bishop's Luncheon on Wed. Oct. 18 at St. Mary Parish Center, 507 Avenue B, Sterling, IL. Sponsored by Rockford DCCW. 11:00 check-in; 12:00 buffet lunch. Women & men of the parish are welcome. More information will be in next week's bulletin.



#### UNDER MARY'S MANTLE

Under Mary's Mantle is St. Mary's Parish (Piano, Ill) Grief Support Group. We will walk with you on your journey from grief to healing for those who are coping with the loss of a loved one to death. The loss may have been this year or in the past. There will be a one and a half hour session from 2:00-3:30 on Sept. 24th, October 1st., 8th, 15th and 22nd. Each session will lead into the next session so you are encouraged to attend all five sessions.

Place: St Mary's School back door entrance - Enter through double doors

Topics: Accepting the Loss, Experience the Pain of Grief, Adjusting to the Loss, Adjusting to the New Environment, Continuing Your Journey.

**There is no registration or fee. Please contact us for information. Contact: Kathy Robbins-815-970-4109, or Marianne Gustafson- 630-888-9611**

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

5:00 p.m. ✠ Don & Yolanda Weinhold  
 (Mark & Mary Weinhold)

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

8:00 a.m. ✠ Jason Belline (Pete & Char Robinson)  
 10:00 a.m. Erin Sehr (Fr. Bernie Sehr)  
 12:00 p.m. *Pro Populo* (People of the Parish)

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

**NO MONDAY SERVICES**

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

5:30 p.m. ✠ George Marcot (Donor)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:00 a.m. ✠ Eugene & Kim Paris & Richard Hettinger  
 (Bernadine Paris)

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00 a.m. James Sehr (Fr. Bernie Sehr)

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:00 a.m. ✠ Donna Wielert (Vincent Family)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

5:00 p.m. ✠ Gerald & Hilda Schmitz  
 (Jack & Kathy Kuppler)

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00 a.m. ✠ Gerald Sherman (Diane Karpus)  
 10:00 a.m. ✠ Susan Parr (Jody Pleskovich)  
 12:00 p.m. *Pro Populo* (People of the Parish)

#### Our Giving

Date: September 16/17  
 Loose \$ 748.00  
 Envelopes 2,437.00  
 Total \$ 3,185.00

Welcome: Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long time resident or newly arrived in the parish. If you are interested in registering in our parish please fill out form. You may leave this form in the collection basket or mail to the church office.

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 Joe Vullo  
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 Beth Gavin

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 Sharon Ciboroski  
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 Mark Golding  
 Ellie Gengler  
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 Gianna Cukierski  
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 Kirstin Hoffman  
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 David Srocznski  
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 Joan Gavin

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