



St. Paul

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A FRANCISCAN FAMILY UNITED IN GOD'S LOVE

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:00 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Holy Days	8:15 AM & 7:00 PM
Weekdays	8:15 AM - Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 12:00 PM Wednesday
Reconciliation	Wednesday 11:30 AM Saturday 3:00 PM or by appt.

Adoration Chapel

Available 24 hours

Carol Masters 502-424-6446

Becky Harper

Saint Anthony Devotions

Tuesday: 8:15 AM & 7:00 PM

Pastoral Staff:

PastorFr. Leo Payyappilly, OFM Conv.

Associate Pastor

.....Fr. Dais Theembalangattu OFM Conv.

Altar Servers Troy Cook

Altar Society Linda Young

Arts & Environment Kathy Coulter

Business ManagerCarol Masters

Director of Religious EducationAmy Decker

Director of Music & Worship Rachel Hoffmann

Eucharistic Ministers Kathy Coulter

Finance CouncilHerb Schum

Heavenly Dusters Linda Young

Knights of Columbus Dan Benningfield

Lectors Kathy Coulter

Men's ClubDennis Bosse

Parish CouncilJohn Drees

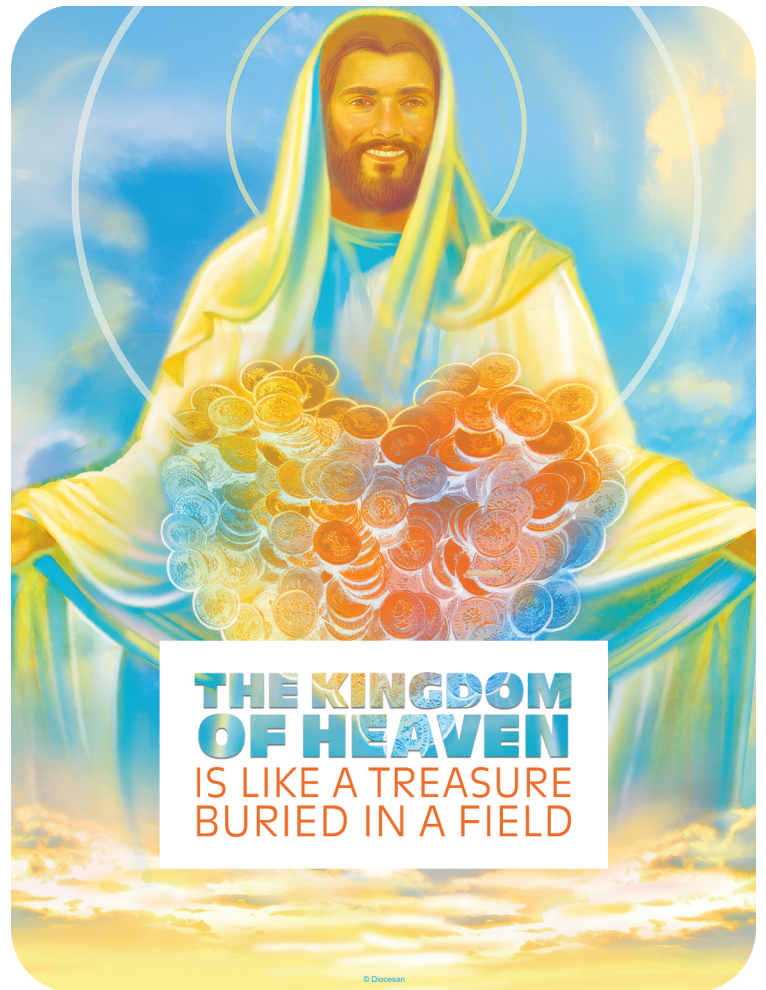
Parish SecretaryMary Ellen Berger

St. Vincent DePaulBecca Bartsch

Sports Club Matt Spitler

Ushers Jim Blandford

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Parish Office

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St. Paul Catholic School

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July 26, 2026

This Week at St. Paul

Monday, July 27th
NO MASS

Tuesday, July 28th
8:15 AM Holy Mass, Chapel, **John & Mary Lawrence**
7:00 PM Parish Council, Hilary Hall

Wednesday, July 29th
11:30 AM Reconciliation, Church
12:00 PM Holy Mass, Church, **All Souls**

Thursday, July 30th
8:15 AM Holy Mass, Chapel, **Richard Bhoolai**

Friday, July 31st
8:15 AM Holy Mass, Chapel, **Fred & Bettye Corbett**

Saturday, August 1st
7:30 AM Rosary-Men's Prayer Meeting,
@ Incarnation Gathering House
11:00 AM Knights of Columbus, Gym Kitchen
3:00 PM Reconciliation
3:30 PM Rosary
4:00 PM Holy Mass, Church,
Monica Dean Pike-Bailey
6:15 PM Support Group, Hilary Hall

Sunday, August 2nd - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Holy Mass, Church, **Agnes Morgan**
11:00 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Holy Mass, Church, **People of St. Paul**

Mass Intentions

We encourage those who are offering a Mass intention at a weekend celebration for their loved one to present the gifts. Please see the Usher at least 15 before Mass begins.

Ministry Schedule
Weekend of 8/1 & 8/2**Altar Servers**

4:00 PM: **Kooper May & Pam Thompson**
9:30 AM **Alex Crockett / David Bibb**
11:30 AM **Linda Young**

Lectors

4:00 PM: **Kinsey May**
9:30 AM **Angela Akridge**
11:30 AM **Carol Masters**

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 PM: **Debbie Cox, Cathy Crockett, & Gay Baughman**
9:30 AM **Amy Decker, Karen Mount, & Elizabeth Pendley**
11:30 AM **Charlotte Paez, Mary Kittle, & Theresa Clinton**

Rosary Leaders

3:30 PM: **Debbie Burns**
9:00 AM: **Kim Beasley**
11:00 AM: **Charlotte Paez**

**August**

Saturday 4:00 PM: John Hardin, Don Sheehan, John Henry, Kenny Noonan
Sunday 9:30 AM: Jim Blandford, John Drees, Janet McAllister, Jim Tock
Sunday 11:30 AM: David Gottbrath, Steve Schmuckie, Volunteer

Grandparents are a
TREASURE
in the family
POPE FRANCIS

Spend some Quiet Time with Our Lord

The Spirituality of Bl. Mother Teresa of Calcutta - In Her Own Words

"Who is Jesus to me? Jesus is the Word made Flesh. Jesus is the Bread of Life. Jesus is the Victim offered for our sins on the cross. Jesus is the sacrifice offered at holy Mass for the sins of the world and for mine. Jesus is the Word - to be spoken. Jesus is the Truth - to be told. Jesus is the Way - to be walked. Jesus is the Light - to be lit. Jesus is the Life - to be lived. Jesus is the Love - to be loved," wrote Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Looking back on the pages of Mother Teresa's words, we find the echo of her life. To many she was a little woman with tireless energy. She was a woman of joy, of tender compassion and of love. Yet, where did Mother Teresa find the energy and the strength to serve the poorest of the poor? What is it that makes us look to her today?



The answer is simple and clear: Jesus in the Eucharist. Without the Eucharist we are nothing, but with the Eucharist - the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus - we have everything. This was the secret of Mother Teresa, the secret which is present in all of our Catholic Churches. For she wrote, "Where will you get the joy of loving?-in the Eucharist, Holy Communion. Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that adoration." She continued:

"In our congregation, we used to have adoration once a week for one hour, and then in 1973, we decided to have adoration one hour every day. We have much work to do. Our homes for the sick and dying destitute are full everywhere. And from the time we started having adoration every day, our love for Jesus became more intimate, our love for each other more understanding, our love for the poor more compassionate, and we have double the number of vocations. God has blessed us with many wonderful vocations."

Prayerfully consider taking a Holy Hour, an hour of reflection, prayer and peace that will bring you closer to Jesus. Monday- 2PM, 5PM, Wednesday- 4PM, Thursday- 5PM, Friday- 1PM. If you can cover an hour occasionally, Substitutes needed for all hours. Please call or text: Carol at 424-6446 to schedule an hour or if you have questions.

Stewardship

Fiscal Year Information 2026-2027

Goal YTD (Sunday Collection Only)\$ 25,500

Total Collection YTD 7/19/2026\$ 21,302

Percentage of YTD Goal 84%

Weekly Budgeted Offering\$ 8,500

Weekly Offering 7/12/2026.....\$ 5,676

Percentage of Weekly Goal 67%

Perpetual Candle

burning is for the intentions of

Linda Young

Please join together in prayer with them and their intentions.

The Sanctuary lamp burning near the tabernacle:

Church is in memory:

Fr. Charles McCarthy

Chapel is in memory:

Matt Decker

Save the date!



The 2026 Women's ACTS Retreat is set for September 24th thru 27th.

Our theme this year is "Complete My Joy" which is based on the reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.

Registration Forms are at the main doors of church.

Pray For The Sick

Dear God, we place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health.

Vicky Adams
Kathy Alvey
Emogene Alvey
Tom Alvey
John Siegfried
Anderson
Mary Barnett
Max Barnett
Keith Baughman
Shirley Beatty
Alan Beck
Evan Beck
Deacon Charles Beckmann
Angela Blain
Michael Blair
Kelly Blakely
Tina & Ben Blandford
Chris Blanton
Kim Blosser-Forten
Chris Burk
Tom Burk
Aileene Chesser

Corum Family
Sharon Croutcher
Rodney Curl
Devin Dawes
Joan DeVault
Su Do & Hien Dao
Theresa Endler
Anna Fulkerson
Mavis Garrett
Carlene & Dave Gottbrath
Vicky Gillespie
Betty Graf
David & Kathy Hahn
James Halbleib
Mary Hale
Pam Hardesty
Floyd Hartlage
Dorothy Haynes
Mary Jo Horrell
Mary Howell
Robin Hultgren
Jesse Hurst & Family

Sue Johnson
Erin Ketterer
Jim & Betty Leonard
Steve Linker
Susan Linsey
Dianna McCombs
Shirley & Bob McCullum
Cindy McGohon
Cathy Madison
Lura Marquess
Andy Mercer
Rudy & Teresa Michel
Thomas Morris
Nellie Moreschi
Debbie Nelson
Pauline Nelson
Randy Nugent
Kim Nuss
Pam Ottersbach
James & Phyllis Pike
Susan Portman
Margaret Pyles

Sharon Rengers
Rick Renn
Mark Reynolds
George & Beverly Richards
John Rippy
Margie Roach
Barbara Robinson
Marilynn Robinson
Tim Samuels
Aaron Saylor
Suzanne Sherman
Susie Shepherd
Lucas Simmons
Betty Simms
Marie Sloan
Lisa Smith
Ronald Smith
Sherry Piotrski Smith
Danny Smothers
Robert Soeder
Jim Speers
Judy Spencer

Mitchell Stewart
Jo Lynn Thomas
Chris Thompson
Kim Tingle
Paul Walker
Carrie Ward
Maureen Weber
Janice York

All the hospitalized or homebound.

Please keep us updated on the status of the sick, so we know when to remove them from this list.

Thank you.

From the Co-Traveler's Desk

WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST TREASURE?

MATTHEW 13:44-52 | 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A



"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure buried in a field." Matthew 13:44

Over the past two Sundays, Jesus has been teaching us about the Kingdom of God through a series of parables. First, He asked us to look at the soil of our hearts and to ask whether His Word could truly take root within us. Last Sunday, He reminded us not to become discouraged by the weeds in the field, because God is still patiently at work, bringing good even out of life's imperfections. And today, Jesus asks us perhaps the most personal question of all: **"What is your greatest treasure?"**

Because every one of us has something we treasure most. For one person, it may be family. For another, it may be health. For someone else, it may be success, security, reputation, or financial stability. None of these things is wrong. In fact, they are all gifts from God. But Jesus asks a deeper question: **What is the one thing you could never imagine living without?**

He tells us about a man who discovers a treasure hidden in a field. Then He tells us about a merchant who finds a pearl of extraordinary value. Notice what both men do. They do not hesitate. They do not negotiate. They do not say, "Let me think about it for a few years." They joyfully give up everything else because they have found something infinitely greater.

That is the point of the parable. The Kingdom of God is not something we simply add to our lives. It becomes the center around which everything else finds its meaning.

My dear brothers and sisters, I sometimes wonder whether one of the greatest struggles of modern life is that we have many possessions, many opportunities, and many choices... but we have forgotten what is truly priceless. We spend enormous energy protecting our bank accounts, our homes, our schedules, and our plans. But how much energy do we spend protecting our relationship with Christ?

We insure our cars. We lock our doors. We back up our computers. We protect our investments. But do we guard the treasure of our faith with the same care?

Jesus is not asking us to give up everything we own. He is asking us to examine what owns us. Because there is a difference. Even good things can slowly take the place that belongs only to God. They become treasures that quietly occupy the center of our lives.

That is why Jesus says the man sold everything **with joy**. Not because he was losing something, but because he had found something greater. That is the secret of Christian discipleship. Faith is not first about what we give up. It is about what we discover. When we truly discover Christ, sacrifice no longer feels like loss. It becomes the joyful response of someone who has found the greatest treasure.

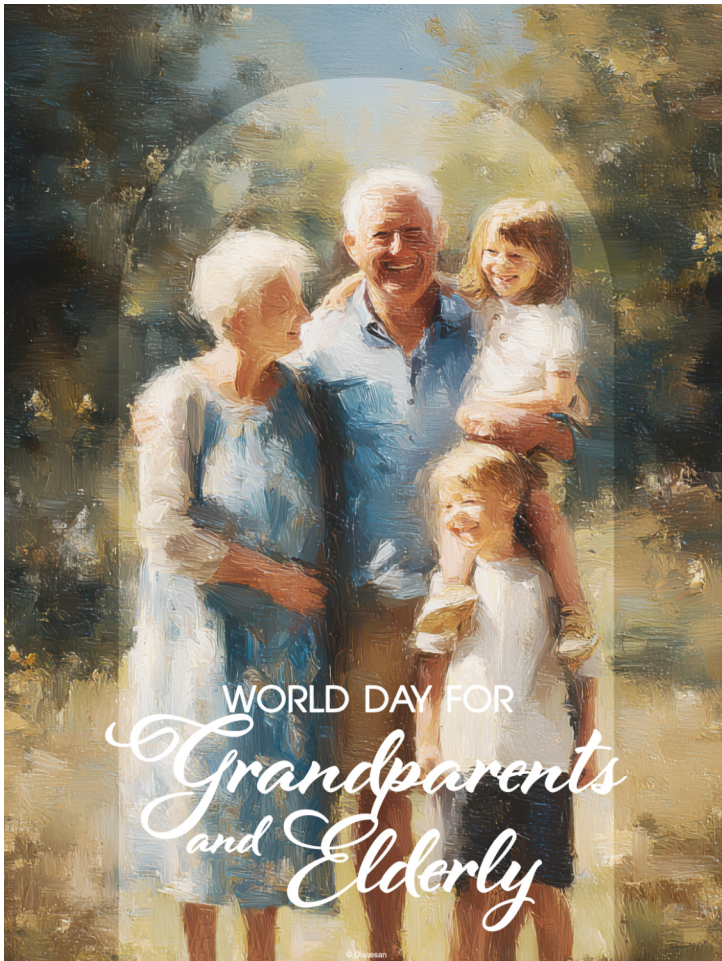
Then Jesus gives one final image—the net cast into the sea. One day, the catch will be sorted. Not to frighten us, but to remind us that every life is moving toward a final meeting with God. And on that day, the only treasure that will truly matter is the one we have stored in our hearts.

So perhaps Jesus leaves us with one simple question today: **If someone watched the way I spend my time... my money... my energy... and my attention... what would they say is my greatest treasure?** Because our lives always reveal what our hearts truly value.

And in just a few moments, we will come to this altar. Here, the greatest treasure is not hidden in a field. It is placed upon this altar. Christ gives Himself to us once again. The treasure we seek is already seeking us. The pearl of great price is already inviting us.

So let us come with joyful hearts, willing to place Christ once again at the center of our lives. For when Christ becomes our greatest treasure, everything else finds its proper place. Amen.

Fr. Leo Payyappilly, OFM Conv. -- Your Co-Traveler



In 2026, the global Catholic celebration, the *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*, takes place on Sunday, July 26, 2026, which coincides with the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

In the United States, it is also celebrated on the weekend of September 12–13, 2026 to align with the secular National Grandparents Day.

A honey bee works diligently, day after day, and a colony of bees all work toward the same natural end. They work to produce honey. This is no small task and requires constant work on the part of thousands of bees to produce a small amount of honey. But, in the end, their efforts pay off and honey is made and stored in the hive. So it is with our lives. We are all called to serve the Lord individually, but we also do so in communion with others. Religious congregations, dioceses, parish churches, families and friends are all called in various ways to serve the Lord as a community of faith. When each one does his or her part, the Lord accomplishes an abundance of good fruit so as to bring the sweetness of His love into a world in much need (See *Diary* #664).



Lord, as a single bee produces only a tiny bit of honey, so also do my actions and service to You produce only that which You have given me to accomplish. I offer my love and service to You so that You may unite it with the love and service of others, producing, together, an abundance of Mercy for a world in such need. Jesus, I trust in You.

Sts. Simon and Jude Summer Picnic

Saturday August 1, 2026

4pm-10pm

4435 Hazelwood Ave

Knights of Columbus Fried Chicken

or Pork Dinner

Dinner in Air-Conditioned Cafeteria

Booths in Air-Conditioned Gym

Capital Prize - \$10.00 Spilt the Pot Raffle,
\$2.00 chance on Groceries & \$100 Kroger Card
\$2.00 chance on \$100 and \$60 in Scratch offs
\$2.00 chance on SSJ USA Flag
Great Raffles, Food Items, Booths, Capital Prize,
Live Music, Beer, Pony Bingo, Pull Tabs, Kids
Games, Showdown Poker, LIC#00595



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

CHICKEN
Dinner

is

SUNDAY
JULY 26TH!

 **11:30 TO 2:00 PM**



 *St. Paul Catholic Church*
6901 Dixie Highway
40258

Come join us for lunch!

♥ FRIENDS, FELLOWSHIP AND GOOD FOOD! ♥



Annual Anniversary Mass for married couples will be celebrated in late August

The Archdiocese of Louisville's annual Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Aug. 29 at St. James Church in Elizabethtown, Ky.