

Diocese of Peoria
St. Malachy Church and School

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Sixth Sunday of Easter
 May 5, 2024



Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
 Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

Reconciliation:

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm
 Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

Traveling? www.masstimes.org to find Masses

We warmly welcome new parishioners and invite them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

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- Prayer Chain:**.....Parish Office
- Divorced Ministry:**.....Shannon Carroll
- OICA:**.....Deacon Mike Sigwalt

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, May 6

8:00 am Ed Coleman +

Sixth Week of Easter

Altar Servers: May 6-12

M-T-W: Lenna Bolme, Charlie Hone

TUESDAY, May 7

8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

Sixth Week of Easter

Saturday: 8:00 pm: Avery Emmerson, Trace Hager

Sunday: 8:15 am: Remington Rahmus, Bradlee Larson

WEDNESDAY, May 8

8:00 am Geraldine "Gerry" & Stoney VanderBeke +

9:00 am Jean Matheson +

Sixth Week of Easter

THURSDAY, May 9

5:45 pm Kelly Holevoet +

Sixth Week of Easter

FRIDAY, May 10

8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

St. Damien de Veuster

SATURDAY, May 11

5:00 pm Mark Weise +

Vigil of The Ascension of the Lord

SUNDAY, May 12

8:15 am Rich & Cindy Bassier - Anniversary

10:30 am People of the Parish

The Ascension of the Lord

Parish Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,

You have made Yourself PRESENT

to us in every age, through the

Holy Eucharist.

Help us to make You more

widely KNOWN,

that You may be greatly LOVED.

Amen.

Area Church Weekend Mass Schedules:

St. Anthony/Atkinson

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

Sacred Heart/Annawan

8:00 am Sunday

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm,

Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm

*Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than*

Noon on Tuesdays.

Readings for Sunday, May 12, 2024

The Ascension of the Lord

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11

As the Apostles were looking on, Jesus was lifted up.

Responsorial: Psalm 47

*R./: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord."*

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13

To the extent of the full stature of Christ.

Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

*The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven
and took his seat at the right hand of God.*



Come, let us Adore Him
Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Adore - Every 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm
Thursday 4:30 pm
(1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, May 6

Mass 8:00 am
Reconciliation 8:45 am
Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel

Tuesday, May 7

Communion Service 8:00 am
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm CR
Circle 14 - 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm YR
Social Justice Committee 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm YR
Women's Support Group 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Rm C
Knights of Columbus 7:00 pm Rm C

Wednesday, May 8

Mass 8:00 am
School Mass 9:00 am May Crowning
Confirmation Mass 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm

Thursday, May 9

Adoration 4:30 - 5:00 pm
Reconciliation 4:30 pm
Mass 5:45 pm
The Rock 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm YR

Friday, May 10

Communion Service 8:00 am
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm CR

Saturday, May 11

Reconciliation 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, May 12

Mass 8:15 am May Crowning
Mass 10:30 am Graduate Mass
Confirmation Prep 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
6th Grade CCD 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**100 YEAR
MEMORIAL STONE DEDICATION**

On Sunday, May 26 we will have a dedication for the 100 Year memorial stone after the 10:30 am Mass. There will be a reception to follow the dedication.



Lest We Forget



Dear, parish member,
As we approach the remembrance event of Memorial Day, I invite you to send a photo of a loved one who has served in the US Armed forces who is no longer with us. Please also send the years served in service to our country. A slideshow will then be created and presented in the Narthex to honor those who served. It will be displayed on Memorial Day weekend at all Masses. Please share your family's history with us so that your loved one's service and sacrifice will not be forgotten.
Send photos and information to:
iranderson2002@gmail.com

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

Ramona Tuets - of our parish
Dian Duncan - Mother of Lynette Blaser,
Sister of Marvel Van Vooren
Bill Leskanich



A Note From the Pastor



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

He is Risen. Alleluia! *“After this He appeared in another form to two of them walking along on their way to the country. They returned and told the others; but they did not believe them either”* (Mark 16:12-

13). As you may recall, part of the story these two disciples had to tell of their encounter with the Risen Lord on the way was that they finally recognized Him in the breaking of the bread, as we learn from Luke’s version. This weekend, we are given some special reminders of how we can recognize the Lord in the breaking of the bread, the Holy Eucharist.

One of Bishop Lou’s efforts to represent the unity of the diocese in the Eucharistic Revival effort has been the Traveling Chalice and Paten. Perhaps you recall in September, when we celebrated a special Holy Hour with the Diocesan Traveling Monstrance (which was a kind of grand finale to Mission Month). This is a similar concept. This special chalice and paten are also traveling around the diocese, but on a different and more spontaneous route and schedule, so that Masses will be offered with them in each parish. At our Vicariate Priests’ Meeting last week, I learned that we had an opportunity to receive it by this weekend. Knowing that this would give us the opportunity to celebrate our First Communion Mass with this special chalice and paten, I jumped at the chance.

First Communion is always a special moment, not only to celebrate with our children, but also to remember the wondrous mystery that we celebrate at every Mass. The children do us all a great service by helping us appreciate this gift anew. Part of the beauty of that mystery is that we are united to more than just the members of the Church who we see around us in the pews, but to the whole Body of Christ in heaven and on earth. The angels and saints are present with us. The pope, the bishops, priests, deacons, religious and lay faithful of every diocese and every parish are present

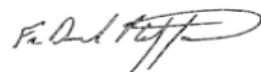
with us. This traveling chalice and paten offer us a tangible sign of this unity, especially within our diocese. We will use them at both the First Communion Mass and all weekend Masses.

Let us wonder at the mystery of being a part of something so much bigger than ourselves. May we approach the bread of life ready to ENCOUNTER the Risen Christ, so that we may GROW in His grace and truth and GO share the Good News with the world.

PENTECOST NOVENA: As you may know, we are anticipating an announcement of the final decision regarding the Growing Disciples pastoral planning initiative on Pentecost weekend (May 18-19). Since the best way to prepare for this is by prayer, I hope you can join us in praying the Pentecost Novena which you can able to find in this bulletin.

CORPUS CHRISTI: This weekend of First Communion and hosting the Traveling Chalice and Paten is a good time to mention that we are about one month away from the great celebration of Corpus Christi (the Body of Christ), on June 1-2. This year’s Corpus Christi weekend will mark the beginning of the third and final year of the Eucharistic Revival. That means that we are in the final month of the Year of Missionary Discipleship. It is my hope to revisit the plan we had for Corpus Christi last year, which had to be greatly reduced due to my time in the hospital. Stay tuned for more information about the Explanatory Mass (Saturday, 5:00 PM), Eucharistic Procession (Sunday, after 8:15 Mass) and Outdoor Adoration (Sunday, after 10:30 Mass). Until then, pray for good weather and no other complications!

In Christ through Mary,



Fr. Daniel P. Gifford
St. Malachy, Pray for us

Children's Mass:

2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays, depending on availability of volunteers.



The Rock - Middle School Youth Ministry

Students in grades **6th-8th** are invited and encouraged to attend **The Rock**, Youth Ministry on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm



Oasis - High School Youth Ministry

Oasis meets every Wednesday from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Room. We strive to nourish our mind, body, and soul. Growing in community as we walk together to come to know Jesus.



TOTUS TUUS
TOTALLY YOURS

Totus Tuus "Totally Yours" is a unique summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel. The mission of Totus Tuus is to bring young people into a relationship with Christ and His Church for lifelong discipleship. Emphasis is placed on dynamic sharing of the faith, the sacraments, and a whole lot of joyful fun.

All students entering grades 1-12 are welcome.

Totus Tuus will be from:

9:00 am - 2:30 pm beginning July 8 for students entering grades 1-6.

6:30 pm - 8:15 pm beginning July 7 for students entering grades 7-12.

Cost is \$40 per student and includes a t-shirt.

Registrations due: June 14 to guarantee a t-shirt.

Teen and adult volunteers are needed as well as other donations. Please contact Kimberly at ksouba@stmalgeneseo.org or by calling the parish office to see how you can help.



Here's the
SCOOP

You're Invited

ALL 5TH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE ROCK YOUTH MINISTRY GROUP FOR A PIZZA AND ICE CREAM PARTY!

Thursday, May 9
St. Malachy Youth Room
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

RSVP to Kimberly Souba by May 2 in order to have enough pizza and ice cream.
ksouba@stmalgeneseo.org

EMMAUS DAYS 2024

Session I:

College and Young Adult Men
June 7-9, 2024

St. John's Catholic Newman Center, Champaign, IL

Session II:

Juniors and Seniors in High School
June 21-24, 2024

St. John's Catholic Newman Center, Champaign, IL

Session III:

Freshman & Sophomores in High
July 7-10, 2024

Peoria Notre Dame High School, Peoria, IL

Session IV:

School 7th and 8th Grade
July 10-12, 2024

Peoria Notre Dame High School, Peoria, IL

To Register:

<https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/3629e5b1-c111-4ff1-9e85-639e5c1beb7a>



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Week 44 - April 28, 2024

	Weekly Budget	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Variance
General Collection	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,768	(4,232)	\$ 660,000	\$ 653,483	(6,517)
School Endowment	\$ 750	\$ 153	(597)	\$ 33,000	\$ 24,595	(8,405)
Paraclete Fund	\$ 750	\$ 33	(717)	\$ 33,000	\$ 19,656	(13,344)
Capital Improvement	\$ 750	\$ 188	(562)	\$ 33,000	\$ 25,411	(7,589)



Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Men's: October 17-20, 2024

Women's: November 14-17, 2024

For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>



Upcoming TEC Weekends

June 22-24, 2024 (Girls)

August 3-5, 2024 (Boys)

October 5-7, 2024 (Girls)

December 7-9, 2024 (Boys)

For information visit

www.northwest-tec.com



DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Please Pray for these Seminarians

Jonathan Puckett Francis Strong
Dcn. Jack Swoik Jarod Raber
Jack Watt Anthony Willi
Mateo Pascual

Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?

If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck:

309-671-1550 or email him: fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org

He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."

Fr. Pakula Memorial Food Pantry Collection

In Memory of Father Pakula, St. Malachy Parish will have a monthly theme to collect items for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry.

The theme for **May** is:

"Diapers Supplies"

Donations needed:

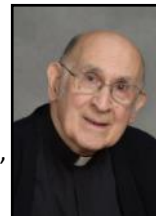
Diapers (especially larger sizes, 4-5 and 6),

Pull-Ups, wipes, ointments etc.

Items can be placed on the shelves

inside the front doors before entering the Narthex.

The current Food Pantry Newsletter can be found on the St. Malachy website, under the heading Parish Life.



A NOVENA OF PREPARATION

Day 1: We pray first for all disciples, at all stages on our journeys of faith.

We ponder the question of what Jesus intended when called his first disciples, and what that means for us as a Church today. We are called to live out vibrant discipleship both in our personal missions and in our parishes.

Our identity, our daily identity, rests in the Lord and spills over into our interactions with others. It can be as simple as looking someone in the eye, when greeting and speaking to them. When we call others by name and look them in the eye, we acknowledge that they're a child of God and we want to share God's love with them.

Let us pray for all those who are praying and working to create a vibrant, mission-driven and sustainable Church here in our Diocese.

Day 3: We pray today in thanksgiving for the gift of the Eucharist.

The Mass is our invitation to join in Christ's sacrifice and participate in communion with God and love for Jesus.

We pray for everyone who receives the Eucharist, that they may know and experience Christ's true presence. Let us bring our awareness back to Christ, so that our participation in the Mass produces the fruit our Lord intended when He gave us this gift of Communion through the Eucharist.

We are a Eucharistic people. Today, we pause and take some time in this particular moment to think about how important it is to have that relationship with the Lord, that the Lord gave us the gift of Himself — His body, His blood in the Eucharist.

Holy Spirit, Divine Counselor,

I adore You as the one true God with the Father and the Son.

I give You my heart and I offer my thanksgiving for all the graces which You bestow on me.

Grant me the gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord, so that I may rightly direct all my actions, and thus renew the face of the earth. Recreate me as your true disciple so that the Church in Peoria will be renewed. **Amen.**

Day 2: We pray today for all priests, and for the pastors who lead and guide our parishes.

Jesus called the apostles to be fishers of men, and we pray for all those that He has raised up new apostles in His Holy Church. You have kindled in the hearts of your priests the fire of zeal for souls.

Lord, grant our priests and pastors the courage to follow you, who are the Way, the Truth and the Life. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Allow them to experience joy in their ministry as they share the divine grace of the Eucharist with the faithful of our Diocese.

Day 4: We pray in thanksgiving for the example and life of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen.

The El Paso, IL native and media evangelist has helped transform using mass media to share the Gospel message.

He not only knew our Catholic faith on a rich and deep level, but he was also versed in current culture. He incorporated difficult topics into his teachings, often related to world events. He had the capability to take complex theological concepts and present them in a way that everyone could understand.

As his cause for sainthood advances, we are blessed to have an example of a modern, media-savvy evangelization to look to within our own community.

We pray this Novena for the people of the Diocese of Peoria.

With the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the faithful will be empowered to go make disciples in our new, mission-driven, sustainable structure of parishes.



Day 5: We pray for all those who educate young people, and hand down the Catholic Faith to the next generation.

Through the teachers, instructors, catechists, and those who serve in leadership roles, Catholic families can receive an education and an experience that prepares them to be everything God made them to be - academically, socially, and spiritually.

As Catholics, we seek to develop faith-filled individuals who will lead our world in finding solutions to problems affecting peace, social harmony, and human and civil rights.

We pray today for all the families and students who participate in the Catholic education and faith formation process in our Diocese.



Day 7: We pray for all those discerning their path to holiness in this world, especially those considering a vocation to the priesthood.

We pray in a special way for them – choosing a consecrated vocation is a radical act in our modern world. Let us hold all these individuals in our prayers today.

Let us encourage young people, and have them hear us say that they would be an amazing wife and mother, husband and father, as well as a priest or consecrated religious.

We pray also for holy families. Happy, healthy and holy priests and religious are going to come from strong, holy families. It starts with the family, the domestic church in our midst.

Day 9: Today we pray in a special way for Bishop Lou Tylka and all past and future Bishops of the Diocese of Peoria. *“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.” [Matthew 16:18](#)*

The task of a shepherd is to lead his flock, care for those in need, and make difficult decisions about what God is calling us to do and be in our community.

Since 1875, our Diocese has been led by nine Bishops who have given their lives to God, in the service of His Church. We pray in a special way for all our bishops, and for all those who will serve in this role in the future.

Day 6: We pray for all those who will benefit in the future from the decisions we are making today.

Let us renew discipleship efforts, and work to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ in every corner of the Diocese. This process has helped us commit to living out our parish-based missions to spread the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus amidst the challenges of today.

“Now to him who is able to accomplish far more than all we ask or imagine...to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.” (Ephesians 3: 20-21)

We pray for those future generations, who will benefit from this renewed pastoral plan for the Diocese of Peoria.

Day 8: We pray in thanksgiving for all the members of consecrated Religious Communities, Contemplatives and Religious Orders who have served the Diocese of Peoria now and throughout our history.

The charisms of these orders have enlivened our faith for generations.

We pray for all their members, and in thanksgiving for the good work that they have done throughout the generations here in the Diocese of Peoria.



Birdies for Charity

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Hello Lovely Person and Friend of Women's Choice Center, Your love for moms and babies has saved more than 1800 lives! Your faithfulness to our center provides essential daily provisions, support, guidance, education, and medical help, for hundreds of the poorest of moms in our community! God bless you!

The **2024 Birdies For Charity** campaign has begun! Birdies is a community charity offered every year through the John Deere Classic golf tournament held in July. **Women's Choice Center receives 100% of your gift plus a minimum 5% bonus** will be added to our total at the end of the campaign. This campaign raises over \$40K each year for our Center!

- Give Online: <https://birdiesforcharity.com> OUR Birdies charity number is 873. Or you can use the camera on your phone to scan the QR code below, touch the link that shows on your screen, click donate and you should see Women's Choice Center (Life & Family), charity #873.
- Donate by Mail (Pay Now): Print Birdies Pledge Form, follow instructions on form. Click [here](#) for form. Please write : Women's Choice Center on first line and our charity #873.
- Pledge by Mail (Pay Later): Print and complete pledge card. Birdies will bill you after the golf tournament concludes in July.

Pledge payments are due to Birdies before September 8 to be eligible for the bonus. Click [here](#) for pledge form. Please write Women's Choice Center on first line and our charity #873.

On behalf of the women and families we serve, THANK YOU for supporting Women's Choice Center in our annual Birdies For Charity campaign!

Christie Schilling - Center Director of Life & Family Educational Trust

"Thank everyone for the kind and thoughtful gifts. They have been incredibly uplifting and beneficial. This program was such a neat and special idea. I think it's important that the parish understands how much these mean to us. They always came when I needed them most. I am incredibly thankful for the generosity of the parish."
Sarah Sebastian



The packages I have received from the church have been a good surprise and are very much appreciated. It's been a good comfort knowing that people have been thinking of me while I've been adjusting to college.
Keaton Thompson

Come enjoy a night of fellowship in a comfortable, relaxed, temperature-controlled environment and plenty of seating while enjoying a beverage of your choice & sharing your faith.

COME TO THE HALL

Where: Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall
800 17th St., Silvis

When: Every 3rd Thursday (except August is 4th Thursday)

Time: 6:15 pm for light dinner & social time
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Speaker

Cost: \$10 per person for light dinner, **MUST RSVP**

Call Katrina in the office during regular business hours to RSVP for dinner no later than the Friday prior to the event so we have enough food. 309-793867, ext. 3

- May 16 Fr. Peter Zorjan Marian Apparitions of our Lady
- June 20 Sr. Subha Clare **Is Your Relationship with God Interactive?**
- July 18 Fr. Peter Zorjan Spiritual Warfare: Demons, Angels, New Age, Manifestations...
- Aug. 22 Fr. Charles Kamut **Lord of the Rings, Part 2**



SOCIAL JUSTICE EVENT

You are invited to attend the next St. Malachy Social Justice Meeting. Our guests will be the Chicago Area founder and executive director of Aunt Mary's Storybook Project, and Companions Journeying Together. St. Malachy Church has been a long time supporter of the Aunt Mary's Storybook Project, a Prison Ministry Program that records imprisoned parents reading books to their children and sends the recording and book to the child. Their goal is to make a special connection between parent and child that might not happen otherwise. Currently, they work with inmates at 17 Illinois Prisons.

Please join us on May 7, 2024 at 4:30 pm in the Youth Room



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