

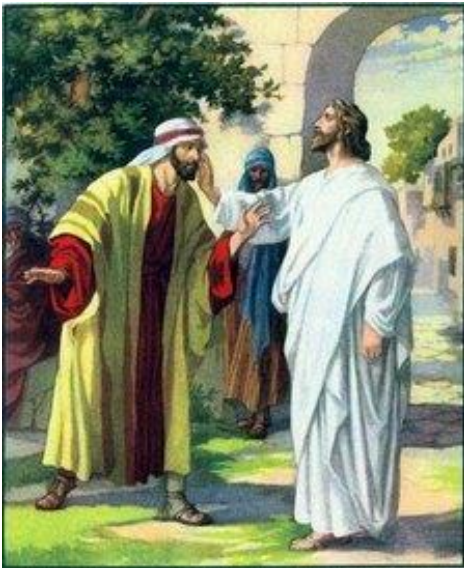
Diocese of Peoria  
**St. Malachy Church and School**

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The Twenty-Third Sunday  
 In Ordinary Time  
 September 8, 2024



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- Bereavement:** .....Dcn. Art Ries
- Prayer Chain:** .....Parish Office
- Divorced Ministry:** .....Shannon Carroll
- OCIA:** .....Dcn. Mike Sigwalt

**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

Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

Traveling? [www.masstimes.org](http://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.

# Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, September 9**      **St. Peter Claver**

8:00 am    Franz Hermann +

**TUESDAY, September 10**      **Weekday**

8:00 am    Margaret & Olly Vandemore +

**WEDNESDAY, September 11**      **Weekday**

8:00 am    Margie Fitzgerald +

9:00 am    Ann Hughes

**THURSDAY, September 12**      **Most Holy Name of Mary**

5:45 pm    Mr. & Mrs. Charles VerHeecke & Janet Loveall +

**FRIDAY, September 13**      **St. John Chrysostom**

8:00 am    No Mass - Communion Service

**SATURDAY, September 14**      **Vigil of the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm    Altar & Rosary Society - Living & Deceased members

**SUNDAY, September 15**      **The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:15 am    Ed Coleman +

10:30 am    People of the Parish

**Altar Servers: September 9-15**

**M-T-W:** Henry Walck, Kate Vorac

**Saturday: 5:00 pm:** Samantha Minnaert, Trace Hager

**Sunday: 8:15 am:** Tucker Seals, Colton Seals

**Sunday: 10:30 am:** Phoenix Sottos, Everett Haars

**September - Children's Liturgy of the Word:**

8:15 am - Angie Maertens

10:30 am - Elizabeth Hulsbrink



## Area Church Weekend Mass Schedules:

**St. Anthony/Atkinson**      **Sacred Heart/Annawan**

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

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, September 15, 2024

**The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a**

*I gave my back to those who beat me.*

**Responsorial: Psalm 116**

*R./: "I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living."*

**2nd Reading: James 2:14-18**

*Faith, if it does not have works, is dead.*

**Gospel: Mark 8:27-35**

*You are the Christ...the Son of Man must suffer greatly.*



# 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, September 9

Mass 8:00 am

Reconciliation 8:45 am

Circle 4 - 10:00 am at the home of Sandy Sturtewagen

Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel

Parents Club Mandatory Meeting 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Rm A

### Tuesday, September 10

Mass 8:00 am

Reconciliation 8:45 am

Psalms: The School of Prayer Bible Study 9:00 am - 10:30 am CR

Chair Soul Core 1:00 - 2:00 pm CR

Women's Support Group 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Rm C

Knights of Columbus 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Rm C

### Wednesday, September 11

Mass 8:00 am

School Mass 9:00 am

K-5 CCD 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Youth Ministry Intercessory Prayer Team 6:45 pm Narthex

### Thursday, September 12

Circle 2 - 9:00 am - 10:30 am YR

Adoration 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Parish Chapel

Reconciliation 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Mass 5:45 pm

Psalms: The School of Prayer Bible Study 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm CR

### Friday, September 13

Communion Service 8:00 am

Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm CR

### Saturday, September 14

Reconciliation 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Mass 5:00 pm

### Sunday, September 15

Mass 8:15 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

National Eucharistic Congress Presentation 9:15 am Hall

6th Grade CCD 9:30 am - 10:20 am

7-8 Confirmation Prep 9:30 am - 10:20 am

Mass 10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.*

*Glen Gustafson*

*Of our parish*



LIFE LINE  
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The Power of Prevention

**Where:**  
St. Malachy Catholic Church  
**When:**  
September 16, 2024

Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in  
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Call 888-814-0466 use promo code HSCA001

Visit [www.LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA](http://www.LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA)

Text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607



For more information  
please visit the  
Parish Nurse page  
St. Malachy

### Luck of the Draw 2024-2025 Kick Off is Here!

Tickets will be \$20 per ticket. There are 365 chances to win!  
At the end of the month we draw a winner for every day and  
your ticket goes back into the drawing.

**Easter Sunday** \$1000 winner

**Christmas Day** \$500 winner

**Feast of St Theresa, Feast of St Malachy,**

**Feast of St John Bosco, Feast of St Joseph the Worker,**

**and the Assumption** each \$300 winner

**Last day of Month** \$100 winner

**\$25 winner** all other days of the year

Remember to turn in your money & tickets by October 1<sup>st</sup> to be entered in the **Early Bird Drawing worth \$100!**

## 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal

September 7-8, 2024

“Do everything for the

*Glory of God.”*



Today, the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal begins in our parish and throughout the Diocese of Peoria. Through the ADA we are able to advance the mission entrusted to us by the Lord. In our parishes, our schools, our

Newman Centers on college campuses, in our social service ministries in Catholic Charities we create places of encounter with Jesus. And we know that when we encounter Jesus, lives are changed.

The goal for our parish is **\$102,404** and we can reach it only with your help.

Contributions can be made by check payable to the Catholic Diocese of Peoria, by a credit or debit card, by direct debit from checking or savings account or online at [www.cdop.org/ada](http://www.cdop.org/ada). Gifts of appreciated stock, grain, qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) or donor advised funds have special considerations and requirements.

Contact 309-671-1550 for more information.

**Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this year's appeal.**

## National Eucharistic Congress Presentation



NATIONAL  
Eucharistic  
Congress

The St. Malachy attendees of the National Eucharistic Congress would like to invite you to join us in the Parish Hall on

**Sunday, September 15th**  
between the two Masses

to listen to a presentation regarding our experience at the National Eucharistic Congress.

### Refreshments:

Coffee, donuts, and fruit will be served.





**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.  
Beginning September 15th.



## The Rock/Oasis News

The Rock and Oasis will host kick off events in September. Stay tuned for the starting date and time for these exciting programs. We are working hard to find out how to best serve our teens and preteens, and we need your help! Be on the lookout for an upcoming survey and the opportunity to share your dreams for youth ministry at St. Malachy.

# Heaven Sent

St. Malachy School and Parish carries a variety of different gift cards! So don't forget to purchase gift cards for all your daily needs. For every gift card we sell, the parish and school receive a percentage of the total sale. You may buy them for gifts or use them yourself at the store when you are shopping. Gift cards may be purchased after every weekend Mass in the narthex or during the week in the parish office.

## Save the Date

*Women at the Well*

Thursday, October 17, 2024



## EMMAUS KNIGHTS

**FOR YOUNG MEN GRADES 7-12 GRADE MEN**

**FALL DATES: 8/19, 10/20, 11/10, 12/8  
4:30 PM - 6:30 PM**

Join Fr. Chase for a Sunday night of faith, fraternity, and formation at the Emmaus House.

**2327 W. HEADING AVE., PEORIA, IL**

**Fathers, drop your sons off & stay for a time of fraternity**

Scan the code to let us know you are coming and to have your parent fill out a digital permission form.



VISIT [WWW.COMEANDFOLLOWME.ORG](http://WWW.COMEANDFOLLOWME.ORG) FOR MORE DETAILS  
OR CONTACT FR. CHASE @ [chilgenbrinck@cdop.org](mailto:chilgenbrinck@cdop.org)

## Job Opening Saint Malachy Parish

### Maintenance Supervisor

Full-time Position, with benefits & paid leave

#### Essential Responsibilities:

- Recruit, supervise and train part-time custodial staff
- Prepare weekly/monthly/quarterly maintenance and cleaning schedules
- Inspect and maintain building systems
- Work as a team member to clean the facility

Please send a cover letter and resume to Deacon Robert O'Rourke at [rorourke@stmalgeneo.org](mailto:rorourke@stmalgeneo.org)

**The full job description is available at:**

<https://www.saintmalachy.org/> (Hover over the Home tab, then click on Employment Opportunities.)

## Flooring Project Status Update:

By now all questionnaires should be returned. They will be reviewed by the Pastor and selected members of the Finance Council, Building and Grounds Committee and Liturgy Committee. The results of the survey will help with the formation of a Flooring Subcommittee and will influence the discussions of this subcommittee in the phases of discernment and design. This puts us still in the "pre-discernment" phase of the project. If you have missed the previous communications and would like information, please contact the office.



## Circle 4 Meeting

September 9, 2024

**Place:** Sandy Sturtewagen  
919 Gooseberry Dr

**Time:** 10:00 am  
Bring lawn chairs!



**STEWARDSHIP**  
Managing God's Gifts To Us

**Parish Sacrificial Giving:**  
1% donated to:  
**St. Theresa of Kolkata Church - Glenmary**

Week 9 - September 1, 2024							ADA 2023 (As of July 31st)	
	Weekly Budget	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Variance		
General Collection	\$ 14,731	\$ 9,024	(5,707)	\$ 132,579	\$ 101,537	(31,042)	<b>GOAL</b>	\$ 105,467
School Endowment	\$ 577	\$ 394	(183)	\$ 5,193	\$ 5,025	(168)	<b>PLEGDED</b>	\$ 89,523
Paraclete Fund	\$ 577	\$ 349	(228)	\$ 5,193	\$ 3,728	(1,465)	<b>VARIANCE</b>	\$ (15,944)
Capital Improvement	\$ 577	\$ 484	(93)	\$ 5,193	\$ 4,417	(776)	<b>COLLECTED</b>	\$ 89,023
<b>Special Collections</b>							<b>VARIANCE</b>	\$ (16,444)
Assumption of Mary		\$ 165			\$ 464		<b># of FAMILIES</b>	199



**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**

October 5-7, 2024 (Girls)

December 7-9, 2024 (Boys)

March 1-3, 2025 (Girls)

April 5-7, 2025 (Boys)

June 14-16 (Girls)

August 9-11 (Boys)

For information visit

[www.northwest-tec.com](http://www.northwest-tec.com)



**DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

**Please Pray for these Seminarians**

*Peter Schoonmaker    Blake Miller*  
*Luke Olson            Nate Devlin*  
*Brady DePoorter     Angel Garcia*  
*Gerard Remmes*

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](mailto: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.

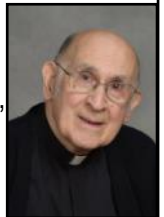
The theme for **September** is:

**"Breakfast Items"**

**Donations needed:** Cereal, Cereal Bars, Oatmeal Packets, Bread, Juice Boxes, Fruit Cups...

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 then Social Justice.



## *A Letter from the Pastor*



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

*"He has done all things well."* (Mark 7). We read these words in our Gospel today, in response to yet another miracle of Our Lord. How many miracles has He worked for us through the years?! As we look back on the years that have gone by, let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us recognize His Presence and be moved to gratitude, wonder and praise. Then, we can look forward to the future with renewed hope. May we indeed be people of such hope, and grow to be evermore united in love with the Lord and with one another in Him. *"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"* (John 15:4).

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:** The time has come upon us already to kick-off another Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA). This is a great moment for us to remember that we are a part of a larger church and to do our part to help support various ministries provided by our diocese. The funds raised through the ADA help to provide important services around the diocese, some of which come back to directly benefit us here at Saint Malachy. This year, I want to devote space in this bulletin letter to discussing how the ADA relates to and impacts parish finances. Every year, the diocese calculates a goal for us based on our parish ordinary income. This goal is what we will pay to the diocese. Any excess that is raised will be paid back to the parish and any shortfall will need to be paid from parish funds. In the years that we have raised more than our goal, the money paid back to us went into an account called ADA Reserve, which is then used when we need to pay a shortfall. 2022 was the first year since 2017 that we did not reach or exceed our goal. Thanks to the ADA Reserve account, we were able to pay this with little impact on our parish finances, as the account still remained in the positive after the payment. Thus, your

past contributions to the ADA helped put us in a better position today.

It is worth addressing two questions about the experience of not reaching our goal in 2022: How did that happen? And how did we respond? There are two basic reasons we did not reach the goal in 2022. First, actual ADA Income (the amount we raised) did decrease. I am not speculating on why it decreased, but simply noting the fact. Second, our goal was higher than the year before. Why was it higher than the year before? First, the diocese did apply the highest possible increase (15%). And secondly, our parish ordinary income from the previous year had increased, which it has every year since. This is an ever-present dynamic with the ADA: increases in parish income can lead to a higher goal for the ADA, which will be harder to reach. Next, how did we respond to the shortfall in 2022? We began preparing for the possibility of paying another shortfall in 2023 (which was the ADA we have just concluded). There had been a parish custom which precedes my time as pastor to transfer loose change from the weekly collection to one of three accounts. In the years when the parish was exceeding its goal, the ADA Reserve account was the third on the list, meaning that it did not receive very much of that loose change. Since we had begun to experience a shortfall, we moved it to the front of the list, especially since the other two accounts, Social Justice and Paraclete, were then and still remain in good shape, as people pay into them, whereas no one pays into ADA Reserve. This resulted in an increase of \$16,492 for that account, for a total balance of over \$34,439. Meanwhile, our shortfall for 2023 is \$16,444, as of July (we are still awaiting final numbers for August). So, thanks to this ADA Reserve account, even though we again did not reach our goal, we will again be able to pay the shortfall with little impact on our parish finances, with a slightly higher positive balance remaining in the account for future years.

One other piece of good news is that we did have a slight increase in our actual ADA Income from the previous year. Thank you for that! Another piece of good

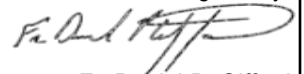
news is that we have also had a slight reduction in our goal, which will be \$102,404. Hopefully, from this information it is clear that it will benefit our own parish financials to reach or exceed this goal. Anything you can do to help us accomplish this would be greatly appreciated.

**PARISH BUDGET AND FINANCES:** Earlier this summer, I shared with you that the Parish Budget for this fiscal year would be approved after the July Finance Council meeting. This extra consultation with the council, which continued after the meeting due to lower meeting attendance, was very helpful and important to me and was worth the additional time. Additionally, the process continued as we finalized the hiring of both church and school staff. Nonetheless, the budget is now approved. We are projecting \$1.4 million for both income and expenses. Since our most valuable asset is our people, the most significant increases in expenses are salary increases. A few other increases include additional funds for our upcoming parish mission and for youth ministry. With the help of our Finance Council, we decreased expenses where we could, especially when less than was budgeted had been previously spent. Regarding what we have budgeted for annual Sunday Collections, you will notice that we decreased our goal, in light of the shortfall we experienced this past year. Last year, we budgeted \$780,000 and only collected \$747,000. This year, we are budgeting for \$766,000, in order to accommodate the increases mentioned above, which are genuinely needed. So, to be direct, while we tried to accommodate for our recent lower collections, we do need to collect more in our Sunday collection than we did this past year. Please know that I greatly appreciate all of the sacrifices that you all make, in order to make possible your offerings of time, talent and treasure in support of the mission of making disciples here in Geneseo!

Since I have mentioned last year's shortfall in our budget for the annual income for Sunday Collections, please allow me to offer a few comments that will hopefully provide a more complete picture of our

financial situation at the present moment. We are working to update the method of our weekly financial reporting in the bulletin, as it has come to our attention that our current method only gives people a very incomplete picture, as it reports on only certain aspects of income and nothing regarding expenses. As a result, we have heard some concerns about our finances that don't match the impressions of our Finance Council and Parish Staff. By the end of this month, you can look forward to a change in that weekly reporting, offering a clearer picture of where we stand with regard to both income and expenses, as well as a more detailed report on the end of the year financials. Part of what you will see in that reporting is that, last year, our income exceeded our expenses by \$1,509. Furthermore, we preserved our assets (savings and investment accounts) at a combined balance of over \$3 million, which is a modest increase from the previous year. We have a great deal for which we can be thankful and hopeful. Still, we must and will continue to remain diligent and focused, striving to make the most prudent decisions we can make. For this reason, I am extremely grateful for the advice and guidance of our Finance Council and our Business Manager, Jennifer Higgins. And lastly, I am grateful to you all for your generosity and spirit of stewardship. And on that note, I also want to express my gratitude to my predecessor, Father Michael Pakula, who worked so hard to promote this spirit of stewardship.

In Christ through Mary,



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



## TWO DAY PARISH MISSION

# Gabriel Castillo

Gabriel Castillo is a husband and father of four children. He is currently serving as the Director of Youth Ministry at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Texas. Gabriel is a Catholic Lay Evangelist and videographer best known for his online work. He has founded True Faith TV, the Children of Mary Podcast, produced multiple documentaries and gained 100s of thousands of followers and over 20 million views. Gabriel is popularly known for his YouTube channel *Gabi After Hours*.

**SEPTEMBER 9**  
Conversion Story & the Secret of Mary

**SEPTEMBER 10**  
The Power of the Rosary & How it Changes Lives

### SCHEDULE FOR BOTH NIGHTS:

6:00 pm Doors Open  
6:30 pm Rosary  
7:00 pm Talk

### *This is a FREE EVENT!*

A free will offering will be taken up.



**Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Catholic Church  
800 17th Street, Silvis, IL**

Gabriel's new book, *The Power of the Rosary* with Sophia Press will be out soon.

## OCIA



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Sessions to begin October 8, 2024  
Tuesdays at 6:00 PM

If you or someone you know is interested,  
please contact Dcn. Mike Sigwalt  
([msigwalt23@gmail.com](mailto:msigwalt23@gmail.com)) / (309) 502-9243)

### **7 Reasons Someone Might Participate in OCIA:**

1. A non-Catholic who has decided to become Catholic or is considering doing so...
2. A non-Catholic who has not decided to become Catholic, but is interested in learning more about what the Catholic Church actually believes and teaches...
3. A non-Catholic who has married a Catholic and is Interested in learning more about their spouse's faith, whether or not they have decided to become Catholic...
4. A non-Catholic parent(s) who has decided to send their child(ren) to a Catholic school and is interested in learning more about the faith about which their child(ren) is being taught...
5. A Catholic parent(s) who understands their role as first educator of their child(ren) in the faith, leading to a desire to renew or deepen their own faith formation...
6. A Catholic who has not yet received Confirmation and/ or First Communion...
7. A Catholic who is interested in renewing or deepening their faith formation for any reason, especially if their faith formation ended in middle school or high school at Confirmation...

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

**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

Sept. 19 Fr. Anthony Ditmer How to Grow More Intimately Deeper in Your Spiritual Life

**Admission is Free!**

## Glory to God

*the Creator of Life.*



### REAL Truth: Sanctity of Life Presentation

Saturday, October 5, 2024

9:30 am - 11:00 am

Concordia Lutheran Church  
316 S. Oakwood Ave

**Light refreshments provided**

Educates and empowers audience in the value of life from conception to natural death.

Provides clarity on the history and implications of recent state and federal legislation, while clearing up myths versus truths.

Equips individuals to be confident in expressing their pro-life view through talking points, tools, and concrete ways to be involved in *supporting families and giving a voice of LIFE to the unborn.*

**Donations of money, diapers, and/or wipes to the Women's Choice Center are appreciated but not expected**



2740 Happy Joe Drive, Suite 2  
Bettendorf, IA 52722  
563-332-0475

[www.womenschoicecenter.org](http://www.womenschoicecenter.org)

### JP II Experience Co-Ed Retreat

Are you looking for a fun and faith filled overnight retreat for an 8th -10th grader? We have a great opportunity for teens to learn about living a life that follows Jesus.

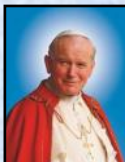
Come experience friendship, fun, and faith!

**What:** John Paul II Co-Ed Retreat

**Who:** Boys and Girls, 8th-10th grade.

**When:** Saturday, October 26, 9:00 am to  
Sunday, October 27, 4:00 pm

**Where:** Believers Together Center  
Christ the King:  
3209 60th St., Moline.



**Cost:** \$50

**Registration Open** August 19, 2024

**Registration Deadline** October 6, 2024

[www.olgsilvis.com](http://www.olgsilvis.com) Click the tab "JP II Experience"

**Only 40 spots available.**



Made a weekend already?  
You are welcome to make another.

**Questions:** Mike Wilshusen  
309-269-7686 or [STJPIIEXP@gmail.com](mailto:STJPIIEXP@gmail.com)

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