



May 9, 2021
6th Sunday of Easter

Hey MomYou're the Greatest!

Every year I get the same feelings and emotions when I sit down to write my bulletin column for Mother's Day. My mom, I pray, went to heaven 19 years ago. The longer it gets since that day she passed the more I miss her in so many ways. Just to be able to pick up the phone and call her miss that very much. Miss our times when she would come and visit for an overnight or two.... miss that for sure.... Her spaghetti, barbeque, bona cauda, fried chicken, breakfast to order-hot off her skillet....her famous onion dip....she was an excellent cook and boy do I miss those great meals.

Most of all I miss "TIME" with her. Praying with her the rosary, dancing with her, listening to her play the piano, all from sight and she was good. "Five foot two, eyes of blue; Blue Moon; "The Torch"; "Down at Papa Joe's; "Red Roses for a Blue Lady" and the lists goes on.... Oh, how I would give anything for a CD of her playing.

35 years ago, this weekend, my mom and I spent the night at a "swanky" hotel as she called it; We had dinner with +Bishop Ryan and those ordained priests that year. I shared that day with (now) +Bishop Carl Kemme of the Diocese of Wichita, and Fr. James Flach, now retired. We talked all night about the excitement of the weekend. We would be ordained a priest on Saturday at the Cathedral. Over 100 priests concelebrated the mass that would fill the Cathedral with 1000 family and friends. Afterwards 80 of my family and close friends went back to my home and we had a celebration dinner in Gillespie.

The next day was MOTHER'S Day. I felt so blessed, privileged, and honored to celebrate and preside at my "Mass of Thanksgiving" with my MOM on her special day. Also near her in the front pew was my beloved grandma. My mother looked like a million bucks both days and she was truly in her element, a beautiful host who was filled with joy in her smile and a few tears. I couldn't get enough of having her right next to me and all the gatherings and celebrations. She wrote me a small little note which I cherish still today, saying "your ordination as a priest has 'Deep Meaning' to me as your mother."

I did not tell her of a surprise I had planned for her at the offertory of the mass; my friend sang a hymn to Mary, "the Magnificat" by Talbot and I

placed a bouquet of roses at the Mary Shrine and then took a rose to my grandma and then to her. I then asked her to step out into the center aisle and as a sign of respect, gratitude, and admiration I knelt down and kissed her feet grateful for the gift of my life. On the video (on her own) she took her thumb and made the sign of the cross upon my forehead, which is what she had done over 27 years ago when she brought me to Baptism. That action told me of her faith in Christ.

Happy Mother's Day to all of you Moms and Grandmothers. This day I believe is for all women who love in a maternal way. Please know how much it means to all of us your husbands, sons, daughters, and special loved ones. You have always been there for us and have loved us so well in your care and beauty.

Our young girls will crown Mary today at our liturgies. From the cross Jesus gave us Mary, his mother, to be our spiritual mother. Mary too powerfully intercedes for us from her throne as Queen of heaven and earth.

I will drive by my hometown Catholic cemetery to lovingly tell my mom (and Grandma) I love you, thanks for the memories and all you have been and will always be for me.

From heaven I can only imagine both of them standing at the gates in heaven waving with smiles saying my greatest memory my mom saying, "I love you More."

Peace -

Fr. Chuck

SCRIPTURE READINGS: May 9th – May 16th :

Sunday:	ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48	
	1JN 4:7-10	JN 15:9-17
Monday:	ACTS 16:11-15	JN 15:26-16:4A
Tuesday:	ACTS 16:22-34	JN 16:5-11
Wednesday:	ACTS 17:15, 22-18:1	JN 16:12-15
Thursday:	ACTS 1:1-11	EPH 1:17-23
		MK 16:15-20
Friday:	ACTS 1:15-17, 20-26	JN 15:9-17
Saturday:	ACTS 18:23-28	JN 16:23B-28
Sunday:	ACTS 1:15-17, 20A,20C-26	
	1JN 4:11-16	JN 17:11B-19

Advertiser of the Week:

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Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

Parishioners - Megan Lee, Gary Dumonceaux, Shirley Crawford, Rene Runions, Ray Roland, Lynn F. Leach, JoAnn Camille, Betty Rowden, JoAnn Barber, Glen Butcher, Mary Rodgers, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy, Carolyn Carmichael, Bill White, Lenna DeGroot, Sherry Frachey, Barb Sinkus



Patty Bartlett, mother of Jeannette Waters
Ron Bortmess, husband of Diane Bortmess
Kelsie Riedle, niece of David & Tess Riedle
Robert Goin, father of Vicki Walker
Harry Buck, brother of Teri Dambacher
Yvonne Butcher, mother of Barrie Blough
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
Margie Lammert, mother of Sarah Clare
Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
John Vercautern, cousin of Laurie White
Button Pemberton, friend of Guerrettaz family
Teresa Cieciora, friend of Guerrettaz family
Aliana Marecki, friend of Guerrettaz family
Rick Perez, friend of Mary Jo & Jerry Jasinski
Brigham Lanweir, friend of the Zucco family
Megan Mahoney, friend of the Zucco family
Rachel Copp, sister of Mary Beth McClintock
John Naffziger, nephew of Michele Naffziger
Special Intentions of Andy Mihelich
Sarah Thatcher, granddaughter of Elaine Hundley
Lary Garrett, father of Carrie Zucco
Jennie Harling, sister of Leanne Collings
Sabrina & Baby Rice, niece of Les & Beth Auxier
Diane McClelland, sister of Roberta Vanover
Jodi Finzel, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
Lee Cook, brother of Sue Bozarth
James Michael Geist, nephew of Sue Roth
Kevin Joyce, friend of Steve & Pat Jones
Ed Derringer, friend of Mary & Hartzel Bruno
Val "Butch" Decatoire – uncle of Mike Spainhour
Mark Spainhour – brother of Mike Spainhour
Bob Aplington – brother of Beth Yong
Angie Hamilton, friend of Kelly Conlon
Dyke Foster, brother-in-law to Sue & Leroy Bozarth
Judy Conway, friend of Maggie Patterson
Judy Judd, aunt of Vince Guerrettaz
Patrick O'Connor, nephew of Ginger Rentschler
Francis Lynam, son-in-law of Helen & Tom Crusen

Back in March, I shared with you my journey with the Diocese. For 31+ years, I have had the privilege of working each day with the families of this Diocese as a secretary of a Catholic school, an accountant for the Diocese, and now, as office manager for St. Jude. I have made countless friends and felt the love of "family".

As they say, all good things come to an end. I have made the decision to retire. As time has moved on, I have felt the need to slow down a bit. I will stay on until December, or until Fr. Chuck has hired someone and that person is trained. When that time comes, please make that person feel as loved and welcomed as you have made me.

I will hold all of you in my prayers, and in my heart!

- Barb Scoggins

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/202-6/30/2021

Collections (73)	\$ 6,649.00	\$226,089.00
EFT-Collections (8)	\$ 615.00	\$ 54,850.00
Dev. Fund (19)	\$ 630.00	\$ 11,169.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,290.00
Poor Fund	\$ 45.00	\$ 3,135.07
Children's Offering(0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Calvary Cemetery (2)	\$ 25.00	\$ 731.00
Cath. Comm. (4)	\$ 71.00	\$ 71.00
Mission Co-op (4)	\$ 46.00	\$ 46.00
Retired Dio. Priests (6)	\$ 135.00	\$ 185.00
Total this week:	\$ 8,216.00	
Total given FY2021	\$345,306.38	

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, May 15th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Tom

Lectors: Bertrand, Day

Server: Sommer

Hospitality: J & D Kratz, T & K Riedle

Sunday, May 16th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Tom

Lectors: Connolly, Helling

Server: **Server needed**

Hospitality: R & MB McClintock, McWard, Vogt

Sunday, May 16th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Tom

Lectors: A & K Livengood

Server: W Livengood

Hospitality: M & J Larson, A & V Powell

Happenings this week!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

Saturday, May 8th :

3:15-4:00 p **Reconciliation**
4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Robert Denton†)

Sunday, May 9th:

8:00 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)
10:30 a **Mass** (Int: Past & Present Priests)



Monday, May 10th:

7:30 a **Communion Service**
9:00 a Counting Team #2

Tuesday, May 11th:

6:45-7:15 a **Reconciliation**
7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Marucco Family†)
6:30 p **Pre-Jordan**

Wednesday, May 12th :

6:45-7:15 a **Reconciliation**
7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Limper/Engeling families)
1:00 p Ladies Tea/Bunco
6:30 p **PSR**

Thursday, May 13th :

6:45-7:15 a **Reconciliation**
7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Harold Sheppard†)

Friday, May 14th :

St. Matthias

6:45-7:15 a **Reconciliation**
7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Andrije Cicciura†)

Saturday, May 15th :

11:00 a McKenzie Baptism
Noon-3:00 p Sew-n-sews
3:15-4:00 p **Reconciliation**
4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Carol Gadert†)
Sunday, May 16th:
8:00 a **Mass** (Int: Catholic Was Veterans)
10:30 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)

Volunteers for the week of May 10th:

Church Duster: Mary & John Fox
May Recycling Volunteer: Jan Pietras
May Food Volunteer: Mary Fox

Pre-Jordan Class.



Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. Therefore, our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on Tuesday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. If you plan to attend, please call or e-mail Deacon Tom at 498-8651 or twalker@dio.org.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

and liaison between the Diocese and anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor.
(217) 321-1155



St. Jude Women's Tea/Bunco

St. Jude's Women's Tea/Bunco Group will meet Wednesday, May 12th at 1:00 p.m. All women of the parish are invited. **Bring a friend!**



All are welcome to join the **St. Jude's sew-n-sews** group, Saturday May 15th at noon! (The date was changed due to Mother's Day weekend) Bring a project, enjoy some snacks and good company! Hope to see you and bring a friend!

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

May 11 – 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Jordan
May 12 – 1:00 p.m. – Ladies Tea/Bunco Group
May 12 – 6:30 p.m. – Final PSR and Mass
May 13 – 7:00pm – Building & Grounds mtg
May 15 – noon-3:00 p.m. – Sew-n-Sews
May 18 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus mtg.
May 19 – 6:00 p.m. – Mother/Daughter Dinner
May 20 – 7:00 p.m. Finance Council mtg
May 23 – 5-6:30 p.m. – Propelled Youth Group
May 30 – 10:30 a.m. Mass – Graduates honored
May 31 – Office Closed – Memorial Day



Help Support Little Flower School

Do you value a Catholic education? Fundraising accounts for 40% of the cost to educate the children at Little Flower School, a great local school that children of St. Jude Parish attend. Tickets are currently on sale for the largest fundraiser of the year, the Heritage Days Summerfest Mega Raffle. Tickets are \$50 each. Drawing is June 6, 2021 at 4:00p.m. Need NOT be present to win. Only 2500 tickets are sold.

1st prize - \$25,000

2nd-5th prizes - \$2500 each

6th-10th prizes - \$1000 each

11th - 20th prizes - \$1000 each

To purchase a ticket contact parishioner Kristi Stice at 815-520-2016 or email her at krististice@gmail.com.

You can also purchase the ticket online with a credit card at the following web address, but please follow up with an e-mail to Kristi so that a numbered paper ticket can be filled out to go in the drawing! Website is <https://one.bidpal.net/heritagedaysraffle2021>. Thank you for your support of Little Flower School!

Youth Ministry News

PSR and Youth Group

Propelled

Our last meeting was on Sunday, May 2. We shared snacks and talked about what it meant to be authentic and to never be afraid to ask for help!

Our next meeting is Sunday, May 23 from 5-6:30 p.m. We will have dinner- a Taco Bar with sundaes for dessert! If your teen is still interested be sure to get Jennifer their registration form and remember that the cost is FREE.

End of PSR



On May 12 we are having a party to celebrate our year! The KC will be grilling hotdogs for us, Frances and I will make up some Mac N

Cheese, and we will have some chips and ice cream treats for each child! Along with dinner, we will recognize our children that have received sacraments this year, and we will show our appreciation for all the hard work our catechists and volunteers have done for us!



PSR Registration!



Pre-Registration is complete, but we know there are still many families looking to register! Please mail or bring your form and NON-REFUNDABLE \$25 deposit to the office. These forms

are available in the Parish Hall, were mailed home, Jennifer can email them to you, or you can download them from the Google site if you have access (only registered PSR families have that access).

Reminder: the full tuition amount and registration forms are all due NO LATER THAN June 1!

VBS: Rocky Railway!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 18- Thursday, July 22

because we are excited to announce that we will in fact be hosting VBS this year! There are lots of details to finalize due to Covid so VBS will probably look different from past years, but I think we can all agree- having an altered version is better than no version! If you have volunteered in the past and would like to help again this year, please let Jennifer Frericks know! We hope to have more information to send home on the last day of PSR so stay tuned!



Attention Graduates (8th graders, high school Seniors, and college graduates)

If you are graduating this year, we want to invite you to attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 30th. High School Seniors please wear your cap and gown! Please contact Jennifer letting her know if you plan to attend! Contact Jennifer Frericks at jfrericks@stjude.dio.org.





Volunteers Needed!

We are looking ahead and would like to start gathering our catechists and volunteers for next year! Listed here are the positions we are needing volunteers!

- First Grade Catechist. This could be a single position or if two people wanted to co-teach that would be welcome as well! This is every Wednesday during the school year.
- Youth Ministry Leaders for 4-6th Grade and 7-8th. This is currently every Wednesday during the school year. We have a couple excellent leaders who have already volunteered, but I would like to have 2 -4 for each group.
- Youth Ministry Leaders for the High School which meet twice a month on Sunday year round. Jennifer leads the groups along with Peggy Cochrane, but we would love to have more join the team!
- Substitutes! This would primarily be for K-3 on Wednesdays but if interested in helping with other grades, that is welcome too!

Once we have a better idea of the size of classrooms, we may need volunteers to assist the teachers, so if that is something you may be interested in, watch the bulletin as we approach the school year for more information!



Confirmation and First Holy Communion

May 2, 2021



*Back Row (left to right): Jack Kerley, Max McKenzie, Noah Bearss, Jacob Eichholz, and Tinley Bialas
Front Row (left to right): Anthony Perry, Taylor Uptmor, Julia Trello, and Hannah Nieders*



**Church of St. Jude
Father @ Son Celebration
June 12, 2021 at 6:00pm
Parish Pavilion**



To honor all our Fathers, we will host a Cookout Celebration for all Dads, Grand-Dads, Sons, and Grandsons on Saturday, June 12, 2021 beginning at 6:00 pm out at our Pavilion (Parish Center if raining). Our Parish will supply all food and dinnerware, and soda/bottle water. We will ask that you bring any alcoholic beverages in coolers that you would like.

That night the St. Louis Cardinals will be in Chicago to take on the Chicago Cubs at 6:30 pm. We will have a big screen T.V. for our enjoyment to watch this great rivalry continue. Bring lawn chairs to if you wish. To make your reservation by June 10, call the office 498-9791.

WEAR YOUR BLUE, or WEAR YOUR RED, & GO CRAZY



*Mother-Daughter
Dinner*

Please join us for a night of dinner, music, and wine as we listen to our guest speaker share her experience as a mother and also as woman of faith!

*May 19, 2021
6:00pm*

We ask each family to bring a dessert to share.

Please RSVP by Monday, May 17 to Jennifer or Barb at 217-498-9197!



Paula Rehkemper



"The Sixth Station"

Seeing the face of Jesus in Each Other