

ST. PAUL & ST. ELIZABETH

CATHOLIC CHURCHES

PASTOR: FR. SUNEESH MATHEW

AUGUST 23, 2026

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 8:00am St. Paul
Wed: 6:00pm St. Eliz
Thursday: 8:00am St. Paul
Friday: Noon St. Paul
Saturday: 5:30pm St. Paul
Sunday: 8:30am St. Paul
10:30am St. Eliz

CONFESSION

Wednesday 5:00-5:45 PM St. Elizabeth
Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM St. Paul

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"I WILL GIVE YOU THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. WHATEVER YOU BIND ON EARTH SHALL BE BOUND IN HEAVEN; AND WHATEVER YOU LOOSE ON EARTH SHALL BE LOOSED IN HEAVEN." —MT 16:19

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WELCOME!

To our new bulletin

Microsoft is discontinuing Publisher - which is how we had formatted our bulletin. The publishing company recommended CanvaPro so here we are. If you have any comments or suggestions please feel free to share but do keep in mind this is the 3rd new program Amy has had to learn this year - so- please be kind.

ANointing OF THE SICK

Next Weekend Fr. Suneesh will be offering Anointing of the Sick at all weekend masses. This sacrament is usually offered on the last Wednesday and Friday of the month but in August it will be offered at the weekend masses.



St. Paul Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 29

Lectors: Joan Butterworth

Mike Foster

Euch Min: Joe Kipper

Jarek Whitworth

Servers: Colton; Jaden

Gifts: Linda S./Sylvia Sanders

Sunday, August 30

Lectors: Amy DePoyster

Myles Thomas

Euch Min: Linda Cripps

Dale Darst

Servers: Nora, Audrey, Mollee

Gifts: Dean & Carla Waterman

St. Elizabeth Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, August 30

Lectors: Roberta; Sherri

Euch Min: Ron; Trensia

Servers: Wyatt; Austin

Gifts: Danny & Janet Skees

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 8:00am - St. Paul Norma Jean Witten

Wednesday 6:00pm - St. Eliz Darrell Higdon +

Thursday 8:00am - St. Paul Sr. Anne Michelle +

Friday Noon - St. Paul Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 5:00pm - St. Paul Russell Butterworth +

Sunday 8:30am - St. Paul Lowell Clark +

10:30am - St. Eliz Parishioners

PRAYER LIST

Emila Adkins, Connie Allen, Mark Alvey, Betty Baker, Hunter Beck, Glenn Campbell, Carol Carter, Sharon Clemons, Sheena Clemons, Allie Sue Collins, Hettie Conder, Dale & Donna Darst, Sam Dennis, Teresa Elmore, Frank & Catherine Gawarecki, Helen Gawarecki, Erica Gibson, Lisa Graas, Jeff Hack, Ralph Haycraft, Dennis Higdon, Pat Higdon, Nancy Hill, Roz Hill, Sharon Hilton, Mary Hopkins, Mary Jackey, Gibson Jagers, Jr & Eve Jarboe, Donald Kennedy, Ron Kennedy, Chris Lampton, Travis Lampton, Lora Lashley, Mike & Pat Leonard, Dianna Lush, Teresa Lynn, Bernice McCombs, Mary McDermott, Savanna Mercer, Lucas Meredith, Beverly Miller, Delois Miller, Joe Ed Milliner, Timmy Milliner, Irv & Coreen Moore, Zachary Nelson, Mary Norris, Lois Pack, James Paris, Taylor Pharis, Anna Lee Portman, Sharon Portman, Sharon Roberts, Bobby & Michelle Robinson Family, Belinda Roof, James Ryan, Karen Smallwood Sackstedar, Gene Schafer, Dan Scholl, Ellen Schraeder, Mark Seabolt, Mary Sue Seward, Michelle Shaffer, Jeff Sherrard, Ann Skaggs, David Skaggs, Iris Smith, Linda Steinhoffer, Mimi Stinson, Misty Thomas, Shelia Thomas, Bud Underwood, Jon Usher, Dan Vincent, Jerry Wheatley, Brian Wilson, Norma Jean Witten, Ellen Johnson, mother of Sandy Clemons

For Those Serving In The Military: Ben Foster, Dan Harrison, Dan Leonard, Owen Meredith, Shelby Gregorio, Phillip Sims, Dillan Ward

The Sacrament

- The celebration of the Anointing of the Sick consists essentially in the anointing of the forehead and hands of the sick person (in the Roman Rite) or of other parts of the body (in the Eastern rite), the anointing being accompanied by the liturgical prayer of the celebrant asking for the special grace of this sacrament. *Catechism 1531*
- The special grace of the sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick** has as its effects:
 - the uniting of the sick person to the passion of Christ, for his own good and that of the whole Church;
 - the strengthening, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age;
 - the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of Penance;
 - the restoration of health, if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul;
 - the preparation for passing over to eternal life.

Catechism 1532

PASTOR'S CORNER:

Scripture summarized: In the first reading of this Sunday, the prophet Isaiah tells us about Eliakim, who is chosen by God to replace Shebna. God gives Eliakim authority and responsibility, symbolized by the "key of the house of David." The key represents the power to open and close, to make decisions, and to serve the people. This reminds us that true authority ultimately comes from God and should be exercised faithfully and for the good of others. In the second reading, St. Paul marvels at the greatness of God's wisdom. He recognizes that God's plans are far beyond human understanding: "How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!" Everything comes from God, exists through God, and ultimately returns to God. We are called to trust God even when we cannot understand everything He is doing. The Gospel brings these themes together when Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter responds, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus praises Peter and gives him the keys of the Kingdom of heaven, saying, "Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven." The central message is that Jesus is the Messiah and the Son of God, and He entrusts His Church with a mission of leadership and service. Peter's authority is not based on his own strength or wisdom but on God's grace. These readings invite us to ask: Who is Jesus for me? Do I trust God's wisdom? And how am I using whatever authority or responsibility God has given me to serve others?

St. Monica is one of the most inspiring mothers in the history of the Church. She is especially remembered as the mother of St. Augustine, but her greatest legacy may be her faith, patience, and perseverance as a mother. Monica was born in North Africa around the year 331. She married Patricius, a man whose character and beliefs were very different from hers. She endured many difficulties in her family life, but she remained faithful to God and continued to pray. Her greatest sorrow was watching her son Augustine turn away from Christianity. Augustine was intelligent and ambitious, but for many years he lived far from the faith of his mother. Monica did not give up on him. She prayed, cried, and patiently trusted God. At one point, Monica went to St. Ambrose, the Bishop of Milan, seeking help for Augustine. When she expressed her concern, Ambrose encouraged her not to give up hope. Eventually, after years of prayer and struggle, Augustine experienced a profound conversion. He was baptized by St. Ambrose in 387 and later became one of the greatest saints and teachers of the Church. Monica's story reminds every mother that prayer can reach places that words cannot. A mother may not always be able to protect her children from every mistake or guide every decision they make, but she can always place them in God's hands. St. Monica teaches mothers to pray without giving up, love without conditions, and trust without losing hope. St. Monica, pray for all mothers, especially those who are worried about their children, that they may have your patience, faith, and unwavering hope.

St. Augustine of Hippo (354–430) was one of the greatest theologians and philosophers in the history of Christianity. He was born in Tagaste, North Africa, and spent much of his early life searching for truth and happiness. His mother, St. Monica, prayed faithfully for his conversion. Augustine became a brilliant teacher and eventually traveled to Milan, where he encountered St. Ambrose. Through Ambrose's preaching and his mother's prayers, Augustine gradually turned toward Christianity. In 386, he experienced a profound conversion, and he was baptized by St. Ambrose in 387. Augustine returned to North Africa and became a priest and later the Bishop of Hippo. He devoted the rest of his life to preaching, teaching, writing, and serving the Church. Among his most famous works are Confessions, the story of his spiritual journey, and The City of God, a major work of Christian theology. Augustine died on August 28, 430, while Hippo was under siege. He was later declared a Doctor of the Church. His life is a powerful reminder that no one is ever too far from God. His famous prayer expresses his journey beautifully: "Our hearts are restless until they rest in you." As we celebrate his feast on the 289th of this month we seek his intercession.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

Sunday, August 23	St. Paul School Collection
Tuesday, August 25	Eucharistic Adoration; St. Paul, 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday, Aug 26	Ladies Group Meeting; St. Paul School, 5:30 PM
Weekend Aug 29/30	Anointing of the Sick; All Masses
Sunday, August 30	CCD; St. Elizabeth, 9:15 AM
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	Youth Group Deanery Event; Madisonville, leaves 12:30pm

SCHOOL NEWS:

- Wish List – 26-27 – Please take a moment to look at our Wish List. We made a wish list on Amazon and there are some other items needed as well listed on the flyer. The QR code will take you directly to Amazon. Thanks for your continued support. Amazon link is <https://a.co/0bP95y.y6>
- 22nd Annual Car Show — September 12, 2026
- This year's Car Show will be especially meaningful as we come together to honor several important milestones: the 25th anniversary of September 11 with a special remembrance ceremony, the 120th anniversary of St. Paul Catholic School, and the 250th anniversary of the United States!
- We are celebrating in a big way, and we would be incredibly grateful for your help. We need cakes for the Cake Walk, desserts for the Schnitzel Meal, and additional volunteers throughout the event.
- Thank you in advance for generously sharing your time and talents. It truly takes our entire St. Paul family and community to make this event successful, and we appreciate every person who helps. Together, let's make this year's Car Show our best and most memorable one yet!

GO COMETS!!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

St. Elizabeth

Collection Aug 16	\$1,330.65
Needed for Budget Each Week	\$2,120.00
Under/Over This Week	-\$789.35
Under/Over from July 1	-\$3,766.74

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

St. Paul

Collection Aug 16	\$3,317.00
Needed for Budget Each Week	\$3,480.00
Under/Over This Week	-\$163.00
Under/Over from July 1	+\$392.00

Birthdays & Anniversaries

St. Elizabeth:

Birthdays:

Aug 26 - Pat Clemons; Anita Downard

Aug 30 - Glenn Campbell; Lucy Smith

Anniversaries:

Aug 30 - Rich & Mary Ellen Wygant (40 Years)

St. Paul:

Birthdays:

Aug 24 - Michael Horn

Aug 27 - Abigail Cockerel; Alvin Darst

Aug 28 - Linda L Clark; Janice Wilaby

Aug 29 - Donna Darst; Jack Darst; Adam Thomas

Aug 30 - Donna White

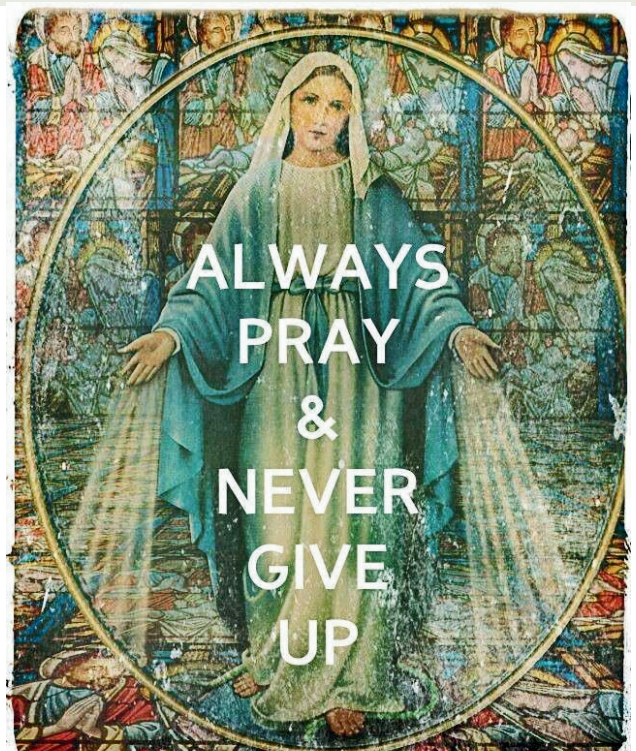
Anniversaries:

Aug 25 - Neil & Lynda Crawford (48 Years)

Aug 28 - James & Brenda Parish (22 Years)

Thank You

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated, shared, prayed, and supported Officer Caleb Owens and his family. Every donation meant more than I can put into words. I am so incredibly grateful for your kindness and generosity! ~Molly Geary



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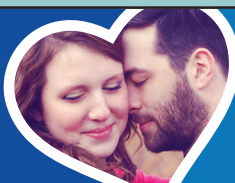
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