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### **ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

2020 State Rte 146 E, Vienna, IL – 62995  
Sun - 10:00 a.m.  
Weekdays – Wed 6:30 pm & Fri 12 pm  
Parish Council Chair: Steve Pobst  
Trustees: Matthew Slife, Jared Bergmann

### **ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH**

Mulberry Street, Stonefort, IL – 62987  
Sunday - 8:00 a.m.  
& First Saturday – 8:30 am  
Parish Council Chair: Mary Treat  
Trustees: Myron Cole, Stan Treat

**God's Breaking Point** Every parent, no matter how patient, has a breaking point. Even a parent who can tolerate endless noise and outrageous disobedience from his children will finally blow up when his breaking point is reached. In the [First Reading](#), God tells us what his breaking point is. It has to do with those people who are aliens and orphans. Some people live as strangers in a strange land; they are aliens in their own communities. And some people lack love and care. They are like orphans, alone, without a home.

Let us make sure that we do not cause any person to cry to God by what we say or do to him. You might suppose that these aliens and orphans are easy to recognize. They are the ones without money, or the ones without a family, you might think. But there you would be mistaken. People rarely are so transparent. There can be aliens and orphans among the rich and powerful, just as there can be much loved and cared for people who live among the poor. You just don't know.

But here is what we do know, from the First Reading. If something you do makes someone, who lives as an orphan or an alien, cry to God in his suffering, God will lose all patience with you. He will blow up at you, and sooner or later you will know what it is to have made God angry at you.

This ought to be a very alarming prospect to us.

But what is the point of this thought? Is it to make us always anxious and scared of God? No, of course not! What good would we be to anyone in that condition?

The point is rather to make us watchful of the way in which we treat any one of God's children. Let us look at each person who crosses our path, each one, rich or poor, obnoxious or likeable, as under the protection of the God who is Father in Heaven to us all. Let us make sure that we do not cause any person to cry to God by what we say or do to him. And let us join with God in losing all patience with those who afflict God's hopeless or homeless children.

Then what we will know is not the wrath of the Lord, but the joy that comes from being with God in his love.

Eleonore Stump

**CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST**

Sun	Oct	29	8:00 am	SFD	Preston Skaggs
			10:00 am	SP	Leola Barrett
Tue	Oct	31	9, 11 am		DOC Masses, Shawnee, Vienna
			7:00 pm	SFD	For the Parishioners
Wed	Nov	1	6:30 pm	SP	For the Parishioners
Fri	Nov	3	12:00 pm	SP	General Intention
Sat	Nov	4	8:30 am	SFD	For Reparation of Sin
Sun	Nov	5	8:00 am	SFD	Leola Barrett
			10:00 am	SP	For the Parishioners

<b>Birthdays:</b>
Oct 30 Brenda Morse
Nov 1 Beverly McCabe Robert Skaggs
Nov 3 Harry Gruszczczyk
Nov 4 Janet Hacker
Nov 5 Mitch Garrett

**St Paul, Vienna**

<p><b>Sun, Oct 29, 10 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> B Bertran, A Webb  <b>Lector:</b> Madonna Slife  <b>Gifts:</b> Tom, Tokiko Moore  <b>Ushers:</b>J Nelson,S Widowski                  Mt Slife, J Bergmann  <b>E. Minister</b> B Palmer                  P Widowski, V Anderson  <b>Greeter:</b> Sabra Moore</p>	<p><b>Wed, Nov 1, 6:30 pm</b>  <b>All Saints Holyday</b>  <b>Server:</b>  <b>Lector:</b> Volunteers  <b>Gifts:</b>  <b>Ushers:</b>  <b>E. Minister</b>  <b>Greeter:</b></p>	<p><b>Sun, Nov 5, 10 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> R Slife , B Bertran  <b>Lector:</b> Steve Widowski  <b>Gifts:</b> Children Liturgy  <b>Ushers:</b>F Dueker, M Palmer                  P. Widowski, D Bishop  <b>E. Minister</b> D Hopkins                  P Shallenberger, K Felcyn  <b>Greeter</b>Marc &amp; Beth Palmer</p>
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**St Francis DeSales, Stonefort**

<p><b>Sun, Oct 29: 8:00 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> Cecilia Parks  <b>Lector:</b> Marietta Moore  <b>Gifts:</b> Morse Family  <b>Usher</b> Stan Treat  <b>E. Min:</b> Mary Treat</p>	<p><b>Sun, Nov 5: 8 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> Christine Deaton  <b>Lector:</b> Mary Treat  <b>Gifts:</b> R Drone, M Cole,  <b>Usher:</b> Stan Treat  <b>E. Min:</b> Brenda Morse</p>	<p><b>Wed, Oct 31, 7 pm</b>  <b>All Saints Holyday</b>  <b>Server:</b>  <b>Lector:</b> Volunteers  <b>Gifts:</b>  <b>Ushers:</b>  <b>E. Minister</b></p>
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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

- Sun Oct 29 Rosary 20 minutes before weekend mass
  - St Francis DeSales Mass .....8:00 am
  - St Paul Mass .....10:00 am
  - PSR Classes.....11:00 am
- Tue Oct 31 DOC Masses.....9 & 11 am
  - All Saints Holyday Mass at St Francis .....7 pm
- Wed Nov 1 All Saints Holyday Mass at St Paul.....6:30 pm
- Thr Nov 2 Grab Your Catechist – Adult Ed at SFD.....6:30 pm
- Fri Nov 3 Weekday Mass.....12 pm
- Sat Nov 4 First Saturday mass and devotion at SFD.8:30 am
  - Ladies Day of Recollection- St Joseph, Benton.9 am
  - Faith Alive Board Mt.....10:00am
- Sun Nov 5 Time falls back 1 hour
  - St Francis DeSales Mass .....8:00 am
  - St Paul Mass & Children Liturgy of Word.10:00 am
  - PSR Classes.....11:00 am
  - First Sunday after mass social at St Paul.11:00 am



**NEW PARISH ADDRESS DIRECTORY** for each household are labeled by name and available on the table in the church entrance..

**ALL SAINTS HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION** Mass schedule for the holyday is Tuesday, Oct 31, 7 pm at St Francis DeSales, and Wednesday, November 1, 6:30 pm at St Paul. Saints cards to extend our appreciation of the witness of their lives will be available in conjunction with the celebration of Mass.

**GRAB YOUR CATECHIST**, a video/discussion series based on the Catholic Catechism will be offered at St Francis DeSales parish this Thursday, 6:30 pm. All welcome!

**LADIES' DAY OF RECOLLECTION** St Joseph, Benton, will be hosting a Day of Recollection for women of the area on Saturday, November 4, 9am – 3 pm. We're supportive of the women who will participate.

**TIME FALLS BACK 1 HR** in the wee hours of morning next Sunday.

**FOOD COLLECTION** A container will be available in the foyer beginning next weekend for food donations during the month of November to support the local food pantry.

**WAY OF LIGHTS AT SHRINE** A parish trip to the Way of Lights and other attractions at Our Lady of Snows Shrine, Belleville, is planned for Saturday, December 2. Plan to leave from parish 12:30-1 pm, or meet at Shrine 3 pm. Enjoy a meal, visit displays and conclude with drive through the Way of Lights. A sign-up list is on bulletin board.

**VOCATION CORNER** – “God inscribed in the humanity of man and woman the vocation of love and communion. Love is therefore the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being.” – St. John Paul II

**THANK YOU**.....to leaders of rosary before mass during the month of October  
.....to St Francis DeSales Parishioners for hosting the Halloween Hay Ride and party  
.....to Craig Levesque for funding the professional cleaning of the Hall carpet  
.....to the collection counters for processing and depositing the weekly Sunday offering  
.....to all of the liturgical ministers whose service enable us to celebrate as Church

**175<sup>th</sup> INVITATION** Vienna First United Methodist Church, North 4<sup>th</sup> St, is excited to celebrate our 175th anniversary on October 29th, 3 pm.. Join us for our celebration on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**All Saints** – November 1, 2017 and **All Soul's Day** – November 2, 2017 - It is about Baptism. Saints and saints-in-waiting (All Souls)! Two feasts with that great cloud of white-robed-wearing witnesses and those buried with Christ in Baptism waiting to join that celestial crowd. Heaven is our home. Let us act and pray that all get there.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

....Joint Parish Council Meeting at St Paul, Wed, Nov 8, 6 pm  
....Communal Anointing of Sick at Weekend Masses, Sun, Nov 12, 8 am, 10 am  
....Eucharistic Adoration at St Paul, Thursday, Nov 9, 4-7:30 pm.

# 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

Exodus 22:20-26; Psalm 18; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40

Christian life is a triangle: God, others, and myself. We tend to focus on loving God, leading a good life, and resolving personal needs. The faith community, all of our sisters and brothers who share creation with us, can be lost in the shuffle. Today's readings make sure we keep all three dimensions vibrant. Our neighbor is an indispensable partner in the common enterprise of loving God and self.

The first reading is a selection from the Covenant Code (Exodus 20:22--23:19). It is part of God's communication to Israel on Mount Sinai emphasizing the legal obligations of the covenant people regarding community duties.

First Thessalonians is the oldest writing of the New Testament. Paul describes the interaction of the Christian missionaries and the former Greek pagans. The missionaries acted on behalf of the Thessalonians when they shared the gospel message with them. In turn, this community imitated Paul and his companions when they left their idols and embraced the living God.

The question asked of Jesus meant that out of 248 positive commandments and 365 negative commandments in the Torah, Jesus selected two: (1) love the LORD your God (Deuteronomy 6:4-5) and (2) love your neighbor (Leviticus 19:18). Jesus acknowledged that these commandments, sometimes called the Great Commandment, offer the proper spirit that should regulate all the other laws.

Our God speaks to us through the needs of others. The oppressed and the despairing call out to us today just as they did to believers in the Old Covenant. It is not pity that we offer as Christians but an invitation to the fullness of life.

-- John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

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## QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Widows, the oppressed, the poor, the orphans and the immigrants are precious to God. Is there anything you could do to make the life of one person in one of these groups better? Discuss.

Every place the Thessalonians went, the "word of the Lord sounded forth." How can you yourself "sound forth" (without preaching)? Do you know anyone in the world who does that today? in your parish? in your workplace? Can you "sound forth" with actions instead of words?

Pope Francis made remarks about love and one of the first steps toward that love. In overcoming anger or rivalry, etc. he suggests praying for the other person. Would that help you accept the other as brother or sister?

**NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURES: 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF YEAR** Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131;  
1Thessalonians 2:7b-9,13 Matthew 23: 1-12