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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

Trustees: Myron Cole, Stan Treat

# Congratulations to young members of St Paul Parish who celebrate their First Eucharist May 12



Harper



Madeline



Elizabeth

Vol 20 # 19 **Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 12, 2019**

Schedule of Masses

Sun	May 12	8:00 am	SFD	Wanda McCabe
		10:00 am	SP	Bill Frey
Tue	May 14	9, 11 am	Shawnee, Vienna DOC Masses	
Wed	May 15	5:30 pm	SP	General Intention
Fri	May 17	12:00 pm	SP	General Intention
Sun	May 19	8:00 am	SFD	For the Parishes
		10:00 am	SP	Philip & Leola Barrett

**St Paul, Vienna**

**Birthdays**

May 12 Steve Pobst  
 Esther Speletich  
 May 14 Cody Taylor  
 May 15 Ginger Endrizzi  
 May 17 Rose Lewis

**Sun, May 12, 10 am**  
**Server:** C & M Bergmann  
**Lector:** First Communicants  
**Gifts:** 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class  
**Usher:**\*S Pobst, D Bishop  
 J Slife, R Stoerger  
**E. Minister** M Nelson,  
 V Anderson, P Widowski  
**Greeter** Matt & Rhi Slife

**Sun, May 19, 10 am**  
**Server:** Riley Slife  
**Lector:** Joe Nelson  
**Gifts:** S & P Widowski  
**Usher:**\*M Palmer, D Zmuda  
 R Beanland, J Nelson  
**E. Minister** F Dueker  
 P Kalicki, S Widowski  
**Greeter** Janet Hacker

**Sun, May 26, 10 am**  
**Server:** C Bergmann, L Slife  
**Lector:** Arlene Dueker  
**Gifts:** Paul, Amanda Widowski  
**Usher:**\*S Widowski, G Tesina  
 J Bergmann, Mt Slife  
**E. Minister** C Kruep  
 D Bishop, B Bishop  
**Greeter** Chuck, Monica Querrey

**St Francis DeSales, Stonefort**

**Sun, May 12: 8:00 am**  
**Server:** Christine Deaton  
**Lector:** Cecilia Parks  
**Gifts:** Hustedde Family  
**Usher** Fred Deaton  
**E. Min:** Myron Cole

**Sun, May 19: 8:00 am**  
**Server:** Brenda Morse  
**Lector:** Christine Deaton  
**Gifts:** F Deaton-D Parks  
**Usher:** Myron Cole  
**E. Min:** Cecilia Parks

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

Sun May 12 Mothers' Day Recognition  
 St Francis DeSales Mass .....8:00 am  
 St Paul Mass & First Communion.....10:00 am  
 Reception-First Communion& Confirmation11:00am  
 Tue May 14 Mass at Shawnee and Vienna DOC.....9.& 11 am  
 Wed May15 Ministerial Alliance Mt.....12 noon  
 Weekday mass.....5:30 pm  
 Merged Parish Council Mt....St Paul.....6:00 pm  
 Fri May 17 Weekday Mass at...SP.....12:00 pm  
 Sun May 19 Seminarian Education Collection  
 St Francis DeSales Mass .....8:00 am  
 St Paul Mass & Blood Pressure cks.....10:00 am  
 Council of Catholic Women Meeting..hall..11:00am



**MOTHERS' DAY RECOGNITION** Blessing on all mothers this day. A token of appreciation from the parish will be offered to mothers after the mass.

**FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION**. This weekend we welcome Harper Widowski, daughter of Paul and Amanda Widowski, Madeline Widowski, daughter of Marc and Beth Widowski, and Elizabeth Zmuda, daughter of David and Amanda Zmuda to share the Eucharist for the first time with our church community.

**RECEPTION** for First Communicants and those who celebrated Confirmation will follow the Sunday mass in the parish hall. Please share your congratulations and support for the young member of our parish and share refreshments with them.

**TIME AND TALENT SURVEY** All parishioners are urged to indicate your interests in ministries both within and beyond the parish community by returning a Time and Talent survey presented last Sunday. Additional forms are available in the foyer. Completed forms may be returned in the collection or in marked container in foyer.

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** Beginning Mothers Day and lasting through Fathers' Day, you are welcome to take part in a collection using baby bottles to help fund Hope Unlimited which provides services for pregnant mothers, natal supplies for new mothers, education and counseling for parents, and food and clothing for those in need. Bottles may be picked up in the foyer, or donations may be made in the large baby bottle in the church entrance.

**MERGED PARISH COUNCIL MT** will be held at St Paul hall, Wed, May 15, 6 pm. Council members are asked to pick up agenda at weekend mass.

**SEMINARIAN EDUCATION COLLECTION** Next weekend our parish will participate in the Seminarian Education Collection. Our diocese is currently blessed with **five seminarians** and we are asking for your help in meeting the needs of their formation. The cost for tuition, books, room and board and other expenses is **\$46,700 per year for each seminarian**. Please join these young men on their journey to the priesthood. Your contribution to the Seminarian Education Collection is truly an investment in our faith and the life of the Church here in southern Illinois. Thank you for your prayerful consideration

**COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN** CCW meeting is scheduled next Sunday at 11 am.. Ladies are reminded to please continue to record volunteer hours and monetary donations on forms posted on bulletin board. You can drop completed forms in an envelope on bulletin board or bring to next week's meeting.

**THANK YOU.....**to liturgy Committee for hosting the Ministry Fair with Social

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER:** A Mother's Love: This Mother's Day, let's take a special moment to remember all of the mother's, especially those that have made the difficult decision to place their child up for adoption and those that have in turn open their hearts and homes and adopted a child. Both of these acts take an enormous amount of love, faith, and strength. Prayer: Heavenly Father, Bless all expectant mothers who are placing their children for adoption and who may also be young and afraid. They love their children so much that they are willing to place them with a loving family. Bless, too, all the women who already have shown the sacrificial nature of a mother's love in making adoption plans for their children. Give them all your courage and your peace, through Christ our Lord.

A very Happy Mother's Day to all of the mother's and women that have acted in a motherly way towards others! You are so loved and appreciated!

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14,43-52; Psalm 100; Revelation 7:9,14-17; John 10:27-30

Today's account from the Acts of the Apostles paraphrases Isaiah 49:6, "I have set you to be light for the Gentiles, so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth" (Acts 13:47). Originally spoken about the promised Messiah, these words apply equally to Paul and all who preach the Word. Discipleship guarantees both success and failure. Failure, in this passage, is Paul and Barnabas being expelled by the Jews; success is their disciples' experience of being filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The Book of Revelation speaks of Christians who know rejection in the form of persecution. Today's verses promise triumph to those who persevere. "They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat ... God will wipe away every tear from their eyes" (Revelation 7:16-17).

In the gospel, when Jesus describes God as greater than all, he is declaring that his leadership does not rely on political strength but rather on faith in God and God's Word. The bond between Jesus and the Father is so strong that no one will ever be able to snatch his sheep out of his hands.

The modern Christian must allow the Word of God to impact daily living. God's Word is reflected in words of support between friends, in words of fidelity between husband and wife, in words of honesty between business associates. Our words join today's Scriptures in calling us to be a light to the nations.

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

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### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Were Paul and Barnabas instruments of salvation? Are you such an instrument in any way? How? What did they do when they met with opposition? Is there any situation where "shaking the dust off your feet in protest" and moving on, might help you?

Do you need to hear that "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes," or are those words for other people?

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice." Do You? Maybe in your heart? Or in homilies, or in the poor, or in people around you? In books, poems, nature? Any of the above? All of the above?

**NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURES: Fifth Sunday of Easter** Acts 14:21-27; Psalm 145; Revelation 21:1-5a; John 13:31-33a, 34-35.