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Mission: Live Catholic teachings,

Participate in Sacramental and Liturgical Celebrations, Serve our Community

### **ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

2020 State Rte 146 E, Vienna, IL – 62995

Parish Council Chair: Steve Pobst

Trustees: Matthew Slife, Jared Bergmann

Sundays – 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Weekdays – Tue 11 am, Wed

6:30 pm & Friday, 12 pm

### **Hey, you!**

In the [Gospel](#) Reading, there is a squall at sea, and the apostles' boat begins to take on water. They are very afraid; and they wake up Jesus, who is asleep in the back of the boat. He calms the sea. And then he asks his disciples two questions:

Why are you terrified?

Don't you yet have faith?

*Why are they terrified?* Well, because that boat is filling up with water, the wind is fierce, the waves are high, and there is an excellent chance that everybody in the boat will die by drowning. What is not to fear here?

And why does Jesus ask them *if they have faith*? The [First Reading](#) is from the book of Job. Job certainly had faith—and he lost all his children and his possessions in one day, shortly before he came down with a loathsome skin disease. If having faith won't save a person from the fate of Job, then why wouldn't the disciples fear, even if they had faith?

The solution lies in seeing how Jesus rescues his disciples from shipwreck. He doesn't issue decrees about the weather. He talks directly to the sea. "Be still!" he says to the sea. And notice that in the [First Reading](#) this is exactly how God deals with the ocean. Just as Jesus says "you" to the sea, so God says "you" to the ocean: "So far shall you come and no further." For God, for Jesus, even inanimate objects such as the ocean and the sea have an I-Thou relationship with their Lord. Even the sea and the ocean are in direct second-personal relationship with the loving God who made them.

And if this is true of the ocean and the sea, then how much more is it true of each one of us? So faith is not the bare belief that there is a God. Faith is the willingness, in trust, to say "you" to God, as God says "you" to each one of us.

In this I-Thou relationship with the good and loving Creator of all there is, what is left to fear?

Whether we live or die, whether we sorrow or are at ease, we stand in joy in the love of our Lord.

And that is why we do not have to be afraid.

.Eleonore Stump

# Vol 22 #25 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time— June 20, 2021

## Schedule of Masses

Sun Jun 20	8:00 am	SP	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	SP	Magdalen Warner
Tue Jun 22	11:00 am	SP	General Intention
Wed Jun 23	5:30 pm	SP	General Intentions
Fri Jun 25	12:00 pm	SP	General Intention
Sun Jun 27	8:00 am	SP	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	SP	Billie Anderson

## Birthdays

Jun 20 Jim Goddard

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule –

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
<b>Jun 20 8 am</b>	J Gale	B Bowers	Volunteer	Joe Nelson
<b>10 am</b>	M Slife	X Gruszezyk	Volunteer	Jon Slife
<b>Jun 27 8 am</b>	M Treat	L Miller	Volunteer	M McMahan
<b>11 am</b>	A Dueker	C Kruep	Volunteer	F Dueker

## STEWARDSHIP OFFERING June 13, 2021

Envelope \$ 1135.00 (21), Loose 104.00 Bld & Maint 205.00

**Total \$ 1444.00** (Following Covid restrictions, collection counters are needed to continue this church ministry – see Fr Tom)

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sun Jun 20	Father's Day Recognition
	Last day for Baby Bottle Collection
	Letter of Appointment of new pastor
	Sunday Mass at SP.....8:00 am
	Sunday Mass at SP.....10:00 am
	(Recorded Mass available on facebook, St Paul Youtube channel)
Tue Jun 22	Shawnee DOC Service ..... 9 am
	Weekday Mass.....11:00 am
	July calendar info deadline
Wed Jun 23	Weekday Mass.....6:30 pm
Thr Jun 24	Shawnee DOC Service.....9:00 am
Thr-Sat	Faith Alive Thrift Store staffed by St Paul.9am-3pm
Fri Jun 25	Weekday Mass.....12:00 pm
	Parish outing at Miner Ball game.....7:00 pm
Sun Jun 27	Peter's Pence Collection
	Anointing of Sick at weekend masses
	Sunday Mass at SP.....8:00 am
	Sunday Mass at SP.....10:00 am



**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** for 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, concludes this weekend. Bottles may be returned to basket in foyer, or donations may be made in the large baby bottle in the church entrance.

**FATHERS' DAY RECOGNITION** Drawing from this year designation as a Year of St Joseph, parish Fathers will be presented a medal of St Joseph, praying for inspiration that allowed Jesus' foster father to protect, guide, and nurture him for his earthly ministry.

**WORDS OF GRACE** Daily scripture booklets for Jul-Sept are available in foyer.

**NEW PASTORAL APPOINTMENT** Bishop McGovern has appointed Rev Christian Iwaugwu as administrator of St Paul, Vienna, St Mary, Eldorado, and St Mary, Harrisburg. The appointment is effective July 20, and is for a term of three years. Fr Christian has served as pastoral associate with Fr Steven Beatty at St Kateri, Ridgway, St Mary, Eldorado, St Mary, Harrisburg and St Joseph, Elizabethtown

**PARISH OUTTING** Parishioners are invited to take part in Miner baseball game on Friday, June 25. 7 pm. Please check bulletin board in church and indicate if anyone else wants tickets. Tickets will be \$5. Deadline to order tickets is noon June 21 by contacting Cathy Kruep at 618 304 4841 if you have not signed up.

**FAITH ALIVE THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for June 24-26. A sign up sheet is on the church foyer bulletin board. Or contact Arlene Dueker at 618-559-7803, or Madonna Slife at 618 967 5164 if you can help.

**COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK** will be offered at Sunday masses on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Those with difficulty standing are asked to be seated in the front row where you may remain seated for the anointing.

**FIRST SUNDAY SOCIAL** for July 4<sup>th</sup> will be hosted by the Parish Council. Members will be present to address questions about new pastoral leadership for St Paul. Hosts for following months are needed. Please see bulletin board.

**INTO MY VINEYARD** The Belleville Diocese will be offering a six session course in Parish Administration and Management on Saturdays in fall and spring of upcoming year. Its purpose will be to prepare more people in parishes to learn to manage temporalities. Applications are available and deadline is July. If you are interested or have questions, contact Fr Tom. Frequent Asked Question and Answer sheet on the bulletin board.

**OUR PARISH FAMILY MINISTRY** This ministry provides meals during time of family illness and assists with transportation to doctor appointments. Contact Frank Dueker

**KING'S HOUSE RETREAT** will be offered to ladies of parish on September 24-26<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested or with questions are asked to contact Vickie Anderson 579-3748 asap.

**VOCATION CORNER** "During middle school, people often asked what I wanted to be when I grew up. The Holy Spirit gave the grace to ask a more fundamental question: "Who do I want to be?" I realized that I simply wanted to be as joyful and free as my religion teacher. One day, I worked up the courage to ask her; "what makes you so happy?" Her response transformed my life: "My relationship with the Lord." Upon graduating high school, I entered religious life and embraced our Marian charism. My vocation is the greatest gift God could have ever given me!" Sr. Alexa Zaldivar; Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary; Columbia Magazine, Apr 2021

## **Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time – 20 June 2021**

Job 38:1, 8-11. Psalm 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31. 2 Corinthians 5:14-17. Mark 4:35-41.

Power means service. How often we hear of those people who have risen from the ranks. While we applaud their success, we still raise the question: How will they use their newly acquired power?

Today's readings clearly show that power must ultimately take the form of loving involvement.

The author of Job depicts the sea as a helpless infant in need of divine attention. He next shows the unruly nature of this creation -- its tendency to reassert chaotic strength resulting in damage and injury. But God's power precludes this possibility, even if Job is unable to comprehend it. The implied question is: If Job cannot understand God's providence for the sea and the powers of nature, how will he ever grasp divine care for humans? For the author of Job, power means service.

Psalm 107 speaks of a variety of dangers that confront believers: travel by land, imprisonment, sickness, and travel by sea. In desperation the people cry out, God intervenes, the people admit indebtedness. The transformation of the storm into a gentle breeze dramatizes the Lord's response to people in need.

Mark has a miracle story that contrasts Jesus' restful sleep and the disciples' fright, the Master's authoritative word and the disciples' lack of trust. Mark writes to his own community, which experiences chaos in the Lord's absence. It's almost as if the Lord is sleeping -- uninvolved. Jesus challenges this lack of faith and affirms his continuing presence with power.

Who are the holders of power in our day to day experience? Power resides with parents, teachers, elected officials, Church leaders, and many others. The measure of genuine power is found in self-sacrifice. Parents give all for their children; teachers labor long hours for their students. The result of all this is new life for both the leader and the follower. Jesus gave his life in history's ultimate display of power and service.

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

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**The Raging Storm.** Like the disciples today, we can feel as if we are in a small boat, on a deep lake, far from shore, in a raging storm. It seems like Jesus is sleeping through it all. But we know and believe, deep in our hearts, he is not. He is with us. He is in control – in his time and way.

- ◆ What is raging around me that is seeming to threaten me?
- ◆ How will I turn to Jesus, even in a chiding way like the apostles, for help?
- ◆ How can I, whom can I help as I have been helped?

## **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27 June 2021**

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24. Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13. 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15. Mark 5:21-43.