



Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

Auburn • Divernon • Glenarm • Pawnee

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 31, 2025

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic adoration is held in Sacred Heart church in Virden after Mass each Wednesday morning and concludes with Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 a.m. each Thursday.

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Fr. James will hear confessions in the reconciliation room in St. Benedict Church. Sunday 7:40-8:05 a.m. and Tuesday evening before Mass by appointment.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one is in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for the healing of body and soul, please contact the Pastor.

BAPTISM

If you wish to have a child baptized, please contact the Pastor.

CONFIRMATION

If you have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and wish to do so, please contact the Pastor. Confirmation is ordinarily received by students in the C.C.D. and P.S.R. programs.

MARRIAGE

If you wish to be married in one of the three Parishes, please contact the Pastor not less than six months prior to the desired wedding date and prior to reserving a reception hall.

HOLY ORDERS

If you think you or someone you know might be called to the Diaconate or to the Priesthood, please contact the Pastor.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline: Information to be published in the bulletin is due to the parish office by **Noon on Wednesday**. Any exception will be published the week before.



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8:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. Wednesday

8:00 a.m.— Noon Thursday

8:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. Friday

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One's Proper Place

In portraying Jesus at a meal where fellow guests are elbowing each other for status at the table, Luke has in mind his own Christian community. Luke's ideal of fellowship and community centers on the eucharist.

There are some in the community who, puffed up and proud, strut their stuff in the assembled community. Some of them possibly are leaders in the community. They may have forgotten the Lord's exhortation that those in authority must serve the least of their brothers and sisters—never easy, as we well know.

These leaders and their elitist friends need to be reminded again and again. Bad as this situation is, it doesn't end there. What happens at the Lord's table happens outside of worship.

Those with means apparently keep up all sorts of social pretensions, hosting each other back and forth under the guise of fellowship. What is spent on pomp could be better spent on the poor.

J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



To sign up for the new online giving platform (Push Pay), you may do so by scanning the QR Code at the left or by going to our parish website: holycrossauburn.com and clicking on the "Giving" button.

THANK YOU for your generosity in supporting our parish.



Lord on this Labor Day,
we thank You for the blessing of work.
We ask for strength to complete each day.
We ask for rest when we are weary.
We ask Your guidance for everyone seeking employment,
and we ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see
but who work tirelessly each day for the good of us all.

Amen

from Our Sunday Visitor

COLLECTION DATA FOR AUGUST 23/24, 2025

PARISH ENVELOPES (38 CONTRIBUTORS)	\$ 1,654.00
ONLINE DONATIONS (13 CONTRIBUTORS)	\$ 580.00
MAINTENANCE (1 CONTRIBUTOR)	\$ 20.00
FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION (2 CONT.)	\$ 30.00



Let us remember in our prayers
the victims and their families
that were involved in the shooting
at Annunciation Catholic School, Minnesota.

May they find comfort in God's love
and may God's grace sustain them in the days ahead.



STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts To Us

*"Rather, when you hold a banquet,
invite the poor, the crippled, the lame,
the blind; blessed indeed will you be
because of their inability to repay you." Luke 14:13-14*

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our "consumerist" culture that we live in. This is even more difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on the parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return; it's just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus', renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sept. 1 Labor Day —Parish Office Closed

Have a safe & blessed Labor Day!

Sept. 3 PSR Registration/Open House 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Sept. 4 Possible Parish Office Closure

Sept. 8 K of C #10556 Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Parish Center

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Sept. 10 PSR Grades K-8 6:30 –7:30 p.m.

Sept. 17 NO PSR PHS Homecoming

Sept. 21 Catechetical Sunday

Sept. 24 PSR Grades K-8 6:30 –7:30 p.m.

Oct. 1 NO PSR AHS Homecoming

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Julie Atwell, Tom Baker, Bettie Burtle, Julie Codron, Barbara Conkrite, Gail Courtney, Lorraine Cushing, Lisa Davis, Nancy Davis, Chuck DuBois, Dale Fitzpatrick, Don Gibler, Paula Gonzalez, Ceci Green, Stephen Hubbard, Anna Jett, Vince & Barb Kelly, Mark Kirby, Ron Knapp, Mary Maley, Milla Manser, Carl McDonald, Richard Meier, Elizabeth Miczulski, Linda Millburg, Mark Millburg, Owen Moffitt, Crystal Molohon, Ken S. Moorman, Linda Nagel, Rita Nardi, Rachel Baker Noble, Fr. James Palakudy, Vicki Kazenski Patrick, Danny Pierson, Breanna Rabacchi, Ryan Schnetzler, Colleen Stevenson, Erin Stiver, Steve Stuckey, Tune Family, Melanie Turner, Michael Verschelden, Jim Verschelden, Pat Verschelden, Bonnie Wagner, Jim Watts.

Please call parish office w/additions to / removals from list. Please notify us of anyone who would welcome a hospital visit. Thanks.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visit parish website at: holycrossauburn.com to see bulletins, liturgical lists, register your children for PSR, any change in office hours and scheduled events! If you choose to do online giving and don't want envelopes anymore, please contact the parish office so that they may be suspended, saving our parish the cost of unused envelopes. **Current Lit Lists** are also always available at entry of church.

PSR Registration/Open House will be on Wednesday, September 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the parish center. Please come by, register your students and meet their teachers:

K & 1st—Sydney & Karen Olson

2nd—Christy Bailey, Sarah Barth & Michelle Root

3rd—Ron Waterkotte

4th & 5th—Becky Millburg

6th, 7th, 8th—Anne Seiz & Jeannette Forgas

Jane King has graciously donated Copies of ***33 Days to Eucharistic Glory***, written by Matthew Kelly. If you would like a copy, feel free to pick one up from the entrance of Church.

RESPECT LIFE
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REQUIESCANT IN PACE ... May they rest in peace

Lori Johanson

WEEKEND LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Sat., Aug. 30, 5:30 p.m. Sun., Aug. 31, 8:15 a.m.

Servers:	Jacob Barth Cayden Bailey	Briana Giron Abigail Seiz
Lector:	Cindy Smith	Tim Hemberger
C. Mins:	John Hemberger	Dave Farris
Ushers:	Ron Waterkotte Jeannette Forgas	David Dixon Ron Appelt

Sat., Sept. 6, 5:30 p.m. Sun., Sept. 7, 8:15 a.m.

Grifyn Bailey Hannah Barth	Claire Millburg Benjamin Millburg
Cindy Smith	Lance Millburg
Shiela Hemberger	Linda Baer
Jeannette Forgas Ron Waterkotte	Vince Nadalini Russell Boehl

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Aug. 30	Girard	Mass
	5:30 p.m.	Aug. 30	Auburn	Mass
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Aug. 31	Auburn	Mass
	10:15 a.m.	Aug. 31	Viriden	Mass
Mon.		Sept. 1		
Tues.	6:00 p.m.	Sept. 2	Auburn	Mass
Wed.	7:30 a.m.	Sept. 3	Viriden	Mass
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Sept. 3	Arcadia	Mass
Thurs.	7:30 a.m.	Sept. 4	Viriden	Mass
Fri.	7:30 a.m.	Sept. 5	Auburn	Mass
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Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Sept. 7	Auburn	Mass
	10:15 a.m.	Sept. 7	Viriden	Mass

Bob Reiher (Farley & Annette Cole)
 † Andrew “Drew” Nicholis Ruehlicke (Ron & Barb Maley)
 † Velma Millburg (Bobby & Lisa Dowson)
 † Jo Ann Marsaglia (George & Jill Murphy)
NO MASS
 † Stanley Butzow (Jim & Sheryl Spears)
 For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life
 (Matt & Aryn Pergrin) (Adoration)
 All Souls
 Hilda Jorn (Don Jorn)
 Pro Populo
 Lorraine Hines (90th Birthday) (Ike Hines)
 † Austin DuBois (Dan & Dianne Leonard & Family)
 † Mary Louise Catteau (Marchizza Family)
 Pauline Miller (Tony & LuAnn Baines)

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Sept. 13 Pregnancy Care Center Hosting GLO-BINGO Fundraiser at KC Columbian Center, 2200 Meadowbrook Road, Springfield. Over \$1000 in prizes. Doors open at 6/Bingo 7-10 p.m. Tickets \$25 in advance / \$30 at door which includes 6 bingo cards for 10 games. \$5 for additional 6 cards. Must be 18 to attend. Cash bar. BYO store bought snacks or food from Casey's Pub available to purchase at bar.

Sept. 20 One Day Marriage Enrichment Retreat at St. Nicholas Parish, O'Fallon, IL. To register, go to stl-wwwme.org/communitynews.php.

Sept. 21 Married 50 Years or More? Let Us Celebrate You! Bishop Thomas John Paprocki invites all couples who have been married 50 years or more to a special Anniversary Mass at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. This celebration honors your beautiful witness to the vocation of marriage. A light reception will follow Mass. **RSVP by September 9** at dio.org/events or contact Gracie Ortiz at gortiz@dio.org or call 27-698-8500. Let us honor your milestone of faith and love.!

Sept. 21 Calling All Men Juniors in High School & Above! Join Bishop Paprocki and Priests of the Diocese for an Andrew Dinner at 5p.m. at Little Flower, Springfield. The Andrew Dinner is a simple/low key gathering where all will pray, share a meal and have conversations about Priesthood and how best to discern what vocation God is calling you to. If you would like to attend, sign up at <https://forms.gle/exdi2Jyrpbo3zNrC7> or email Fr. Zach Samples at zsamples@dio.org. Hope to see you there!

Sept. 24 Marriage on Tap STL Evening of dinner & marriage enrichment at Syberg's on Dorsett in Maryland Heights, MO. Guest speaker will be Father Charlie Archer. Evening is sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Dinner is \$66 per couple/\$33 per person. Cash bar will be available. Advance registration is required and must be postmarked by Sept. 15 & received by Sept. 17. For more information, check out Marriage on Tap STL on Facebook or email marriageontap-stl@gmail.com.

Sept. 27-28 Catholic Men's Overnight Retreat at Villa Maria Retreat Center, Springfield. For detailed schedule or to register, visit dio.org/events. **Deadline to register is September 22.** Contact events@dio.org with questions.

T-shirts Available to order to Celebrate the Canonization of St. Pier Giorgio Frassati and St. Carlo Acutis & Support Diocesan Vocations 100% of profits will support vocations to the priesthood in the diocese. Art on the front was designed by Fr. Daniel McGrath. To order, go to www.sacredheartvirden.com or contact the Sacred Heart, Virden office.

Oct. 10-12 Marriage Encounter Weekend in Springfield For more information or to sign up, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric at 314-649-7317.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Music Trivia Night - Fundraiser Benefit for Auburn Church of the Nazarene on October 10; Doors open at 6 p.m. and trivia starts at 7 p.m. Create your team of up to 6 people; decorate your table; come prepared to have fun. Teams are welcome to bring food & drinks (NO ALCOHOL PLEASE). \$100 per table. Concessions will be available. 217-971-2278 to reserve & register of email lisasmth64@yahoo.com. Bake Sale/Silent Auction/Raffles/ Heads n' Tails' Prizes for 1st/2nd place & best decorated table.



Live Your Faith—Join the Knights of Columbus!

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church.

Auburn Council # 10556

For information, Call 217-741-7333

HOLY FATHER'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION



UNIVERSAL INTENTION: FOR MUTUAL COEXISTENCE Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

Welcome to any visitors we may have with us today! If you would like to register as a member of Holy Cross Parish, please contact the parish office at 217-438-6222 or you may fill out the information below, detach and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____