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St. Mary's Grand Ridge + St. Patrick's Ransom

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MASS TIMES

Monday - Thursday

8:00a Earlville

Tuesday - Friday

7:15a Marseilles

8:15a Seneca

Saturday

4:00p Seneca

4:00p Marseilles

5:30p Grand Ridge

Sunday

7:00a Earlville

7:30a Ransom

8:30a Earlville

9:00a Seneca

10:30a Grand Ridge

11:00a Marseilles

COMMUNION SERVICE

Monday

7:15a Marseilles

8:15a Seneca

Friday

8:00a Earlville



CONFESSIONS

Saturday

3:00-3:45p Seneca

3:00-3:45p Marseilles

Sunday

8:00a-8:20a Earlville

CLERGY

Pastor

Fr. Alexander Millar

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Ghislain Inai, SMA

Parish Deacon

Dcn. Ron Wackerlin

COMBINED OFFICE

St. Joseph's in Marseilles

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Mon-Thurs 9:00a-2:30p

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AUGUST 1, 2021

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saint Theresa's
221 W. Union St
Earlville, IL 60518

Saint Joseph's
200 Broadway St
Marseilles, IL 61341

Saint Patrick's
176 W. Union St
Seneca, IL 61360

St. Mary of the Fields
2098 E. 22nd Rd
Grand Ridge, IL 61325

Saint Patrick's
110 S Wallace St
Ransom, IL 60470

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass Intentions for the Week

ST. MARY'S CHURCH	
Sat. July 31	5:30 pm Dave Fulkerson By: Bill & Carol Olson
Sun. Aug. 1	10:30 am Jim & Marilyn Durdan By: Pat & Cal Duffield
Sat. Aug. 7	5:30 pm Missa Pro Populo By:
Sun. Aug. 8	10:30 am Susie Graziano By: Connie Soulsby

Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Altar Servers

Saturday August 7 5:30 pm
Lector: Pat Durdan
Sunday August 8 10:30 am
Lector:

Weekly Collection ~ St. Mary

July 25, 2021	Stays in Parish	
Sunday Collection	\$	570.00
Loose Cash	\$	125.00
Online Donation	\$	<u>75.00</u>
Total	\$	770.00
St. Vincent		\$25.00

LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

Altar Servers and Readers needed. Adults may volunteer to serve also!

Monica Leskanich may be contacted by email: mmsoulsby@yahoo.com or call/text at 815-257-5058



PARISH BULLETIN

If you have information or announcements that you want in the bulletin, we ask that you send all information to this e-mail address:

parishgroup3@gmail.com by **12:00 Noon** on the Monday prior to the Sunday you want the information in the bulletin. This includes the weekly information of collection totals, Eucharistic Ministers/Lectors/Altar Servers.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass Intentions for the Week

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH	
Sat. July 31	4:00 pm Yevgenii Litvinov By: The Doloski Family
Sun. Aug. 1	9:00 am Severo Javier Alanis By:
Mon. Aug. 2	8:15 am *Communion Service
Tue. Aug. 3	8:15 am Richard Rosencrans By: Paula Freepartner
Wed. Aug. 4	8:15 am Henry Nellett By: Gail Heath
Thr. Aug. 5	8:15 am The Barla Family By: The Barla Family
Fri. Aug. 6	8:15 am The Willard Family By: Nancy & Richard Sulzburger
Sat. Aug. 7	4:00 pm Miriam & Fred Berta By: Peg Berta
Sun. Aug. 8	9:00 am Henry Nellett By: Dr. Gail Nellett

Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Altar Servers

Saturday August 7 4:00 pm
Eucharistic Minister: Annette Olson
Lector: Robert Mitchell
Altar Servers: Clara Bruno, Daniel Doloski

Sunday August 8 9:00 am
Eucharistic Minister: Tracy Ellis
Lector: Kathy Baker
Altar Servers: Landrie/Layken Callahan & Brady/Jackson Fort

Weekly Collection ~ St. Patrick

July 25, 2021	Stays in Parish	
Sunday Collection	\$	2,326.00
Loose Cash	\$	450.00
Online Donation	\$	<u>465.00</u>
Total	\$	3,241.00

Capital Improvement \$680.00
Cemetery \$435.00

August 29, 2021

**St. Patrick Seneca,
BREAKFAST IN CROTTY PARK**

Details to follow as the date approaches.



ST. PATRICK CHURCH, SENECA

- 2nd Sunday of month Food Pantry Collection
- 4th Sunday of month for Cemetery Collection

ST. THERESA CHURCH

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun. Aug. 1	7:00 am Missa Pro Populo By: 8:30 am Collin Reeder & all serving in the Military By: Dick & Mary McConville
Mon. Aug. 2	8:00 am David Fuchs By: Dick & Mary McConville
Tues. Aug. 3	8:00 am Richard Konitzer By: The Konitzer Family
Wed. Aug. 4	8:00 am Deceased Members of the Cook Family By: Tim & Cindy Cook
Thur. Aug. 5	8:00 am Leo Graham By: Candy Graham
Fri. Aug. 6	8:00 am *Communion Service
Sun. Aug. 8	7:00 am David Fuchs By: Dick & Mary McConville 8:30 am Leo Graham By: The Children of Leo Graham

Eucharistic Minister, Lector

Sunday August 8 7:00 am

Minister: Joe Stralka
Lector: Wally Cwikla

Sunday August 8 8:30 am

Minister: Jack Cantlin
Lector: Paula Wold

Weekly Collection ~ St. Theresa

July 25, 2021	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$.00
Candles	\$.00
Loose Cash	\$ <u>.00</u>
Total	\$.00

ST. THERESA CHURCH AIR CONDITIONERS

As you might have noticed last Sunday, the air conditioning units for the church have given out sooner than we hoped. As presented a few weeks ago, the price to replace both units will be ~\$10,000. If anyone would be interested in contributing to the cost of repair, please contact us at the parish office.

ST. THERESA, EARLVILLE

Next American Legion Blood Drive will be on Thursday August 19, 2021 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church from 1:00pm - 6:00pm.

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CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of David Fuchs, who passed away on July 20, 2021. Our sympathy is extended to his Grandfather Deacon Ron Wackerlin and all of his family and friends. May he rest in peace.



EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

August 5, 6:30pm St. Patrick's Seneca

On the Eve of the Transfiguration, please join us in Adoration of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the

Diocese of Peoria New Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center
Open House on Sunday, August 1, 2001 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm with a ribbon cutting and blessing at 3:30pm. Light Refreshments will be served.

All are Welcome!

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8508 County Road 100N

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Each of our Parishes sponsored a room at the Retreat Center. A plaque naming the parish is hung by the room.

We welcome MaryJo Ann Harms, the daughter of



Jeremy & Tiffany, into our parish family. She was baptized on July 24, 2021 at St. Theresa. Congratulations to her family and may God

continue to bless her new life.

Homebound

Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to schedule. Parents should be registered members or have permission of proper pastor.

Sacrament of the Sick

In an emergency, please call (815)780-9366. Otherwise please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the parish office 8-12 months prior to their desired date. Please contact the parish before making other wedding arrangements.

Parish Registration

To join the parish or update your information, please contact parish office or complete form in the back of each Church. Forms can be returned to office or placed in the collection basket

PRAYERFUL PILGRIMAGE TO SUPPORT VOCATIONS

Explore France with Fr. Timothy Hepner September 24-October 4, 2022 with an optional pre-tour to Lourdes September 21-25, 2022. An informational meeting will be held on August 3, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Newman Shed, 2040 N 1100th Avenue, Lynn Center, IL 61262. Please contact group coordinator Bonnie Newman at 309-737-0059 or bonnie@bluehorizon.net if you plan to attend or would like more information. **Proceeds from this tour will go to the Monsignor Carlton Scholarship Fund to help finance the seminarians in the Diocese of Peoria.**

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When we lose our ability to trust, we become afraid. When we are afraid, we may begin to grumble and question whether where we are is where we need to be. For us who have faith, we even question whether God is who God says He is. Trust is so important to our success on our journey. Often, the road of our lives can become a bit treacherous. We may find ourselves feeling more unsettled than comfortable and less fulfilled than we would like to be. As much as we try, the pieces of our puzzle don't quite fit together as they ought. We wonder if we will ever experience happiness again. Then, something reminds us that God is very much present in this mess we call life. God is still bringing hope out of despair and life out of death. After all, God is the true bread that comes down from heaven to give life. All that is necessary is for us to trust in this truth, even when we may be lacking in some of life's essentials. The God who gives life is the same God who sustains it. He is also the same God who assures us that we will not perish.

BACKGROUND OF THE GOSPEL READING

This Sunday we continue to read from the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, but not continuously. Our Lectionary omits John's report of Jesus' walking on water. This event is reported much less dramatically in John's Gospel than in the Synoptic Gospels. After the feeding of the multitudes, the disciples leave in a boat and Jesus follows them. The disciples are said to be terrified by what they see. Jesus reassures them and rejoins them.

In today's Gospel, we learn that the crowd has noticed the departure of Jesus and his disciples and so seeks them out in Capernaum. In the dialogue that follows between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds for us the gift of himself that he gives in the Eucharist. In today's Gospel, there are four exchanges between Jesus and the crowd. In the first, the crowd, having followed Jesus to Capernaum, asks a very matter of fact question: "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replies by naming their motivation in pursuing him. They have been fed. Jesus acknowledges this, yet challenges them to see beyond the fulfillment of their material needs. The crowds have followed Jesus because they have been fed. They ought to be seeking out Jesus because he can give them eternal life.

As the second dialogue begins, it seems that the crowd might be on their way to accepting Jesus and his mission. They ask: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus replies that they must have faith in the one sent from God. But in the third dialogue, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They ask Jesus for a sign so that they might know that Jesus is from God. How strange this sounds since Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people. What more is expected?

But the crowd cannot see beyond the surface of the sign. They show this in their interpretation of the sign that came from Moses. In their description, they identify Jesus with Moses, as if to say, as Moses gave the people manna in the desert, give us a sign so that we will know that you are from God. They are looking to identify a prophet without realizing that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna received by their ancestors came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors' needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread that they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and also spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment.

The conclusion of the dialogue reveals the crowd's blindness. They ask for what Jesus has just told them they have found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life they seek. Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. This is the first of several such statements found in John's Gospel. We understand these better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as "I am," as Yahweh. Jesus is now claiming this name for himself. In the weeks ahead, we will see the offense that this gives to the people.



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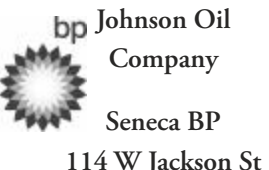


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