

St. Hubert Parish - Diocese of Peoria

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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 2, 2026

St. Paul Catholic Church

309 W. Jackson St.
Macomb, IL 61455-2112
website: stpaulmacomb.com/church
Mass Times:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday	5:15 PM
Tuesday/Thursday	7:00 AM
Saturday	5:15 PM
Sunday	7:30 AM & 10:00 AM

Confessions (or by appointment):

Saturday	4:00–5:00 PM
Sunday	7:00–7:15 AM 9:30–9:45 AM

Rosary:

Sunday	2:00 PM
Monday/Wednesday/Friday	4:40 PM
Tuesday/Thursday	After Mass

Adoration:

Friday, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. All are welcome to participate.
The church is open from 6:30 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

Parish Office

309 W. Jackson St. Macomb, IL 61455
Phone: (309) 833-2496
Email address: churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com

Parish Office Hours (CST)

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM–12:00 PM, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

319 N. Franklin St.
Rushville, IL 62681-0194
website: stroserushville.com
Mass Times:

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM
Wednesday	8:30 AM

Confessions:

Saturday	4:30–4:50 PM
Sunday	7:30–7:50 AM

Adoration: Wednesday at 8:00 AM before Mass at 8:30 AM
All are welcome to participate.

Parish Staff

Fr. Marc Nkulu, SMA, Pastor
Fr. Jules Agossou, Parochial Vicar
Sharon Hoffbeck, Business Manager
Jim Foxall, Parish Secretary

St. Paul

Deacon Larry Adams, Religious Education Coordinator
Laura Cody, Principal, St. Paul School
Mary K. Benda, Music Director

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday by Noon

St. Hubert Parish

Upcoming Events



St. Paul Church

Tuesday, August 4

8:30 AM Women in Faith.....Newman Center

Friday, August 7

10:00 AM Adoration.....St. Paul

5:15 PM Mass.....St. Paul

St. Rose Church

Wednesday, August 5

8:00 AM Adoration/Mass.....St. Rose

Introducing Fr. Jules

My name is Fr. Jules Kebo Agossou. I was born in Togo, West Africa, on December 31, 1985. I come from a large family that includes my father, stepmother, two brothers, two sisters, cousins, nephews, uncles, and aunts. My mother is deceased.

I was ordained a Catholic priest for the Diocese of Atakpamé, Togo, on September 30, 2017. I completed my seminary formation and studies in Ghana, West Africa. From March 2024 to July 2026, I served as Parochial Vicar at Christ the King Parish in Moline. I am very happy to join the St. Hubert Parish family in Macomb.

In my free time, I enjoy watching football (soccer) and movies.

Beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Join Holy Archangels Parish for this once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage to St. Louis on **Thursday, Sep. 24, 2026**. A charter bus will depart from the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall in Carthage at 7:00 AM and will leave St. Louis at approximately 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$100 per person which includes transportation and event ticket. Call or text **Barb Drozd** at (217) 242-2189 to reserve your seat and for payment details.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic? OCIA begins **Tuesday, Sep. 8**, with weekly meetings from 6:00–7:20 PM at St. Paul Church. Please invite family members, friends, neighbors, or others who may be interested. For more information, contact the parish office at **churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com** or (309) 833-2496.

Mass Intentions

What greater tribute to a loved one than to have a Mass offered in their honor or memory? Envelopes are available at either church; include the name, intention, and \$10 donation, and place it in the collection basket. For assistance or questions, please contact the parish office at (309) 833-2496.

Our Stewardship

St. Hubert Parish

Fiscal YTD needed (7/1/26–7/26/26).....\$34,232.00

Offertory Received Fiscal YTD\$31,000.00

Offertory Needed Each Week\$8,558.00

St. Paul

Offertory (7/20/26–7/26/26)\$2,619.00

Online Giving\$1,472.00

Roof Fund\$13.00

Building Fund\$11,155.00

Cemetery Fund\$0.00

St. Rose

Offering.....\$397.00

Online Giving.....\$225.00

Online Giving

Online Giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. This also helps the parish streamline our cash flow, especially during bad weather or vacation times. Go to your parish website at **<https://stroserushville.com>** or **<https://stpaulmacomb.com/church>** to get started today. You can set up and manage your account at Online Giving at St. Hubert Parish:

<https://osvhub.com/sthubertmacomb/giving/funds>



Envelope Collection

Please make all checks payable to St. Hubert. If you have any questions, please ask the parish office.

Capital Campaign

Our Capital Campaign for the new parish hall is now underway. Prayerfully consider supporting this important project as we continue building for the future of our parish community. **Scan the QR code** below to learn more and make your pledge online.



Visit website to see progress:
<https://stpaulmacomb.com/church/our-family/parish-hall-progress/>

St. Paul Catholic Church - Macomb, Illinois

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 1 & 2, 2026

Gloria.....Mass of Wisdom, pew card
Mass.....Mass of Creation, #868
Entrance.....Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, #411
Prep. of Gifts.....Come to the Water, #592
Communion.....I Am the Bread of Life, #355
Recessional.....Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens, #565

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 1

5:15 PM † Jonelle Schauble

Sunday, August 2

7:30 AM † John Funke

10:00 AM † Timothy J. Beiermann

Monday, August 3

5:15 PM Ladonna Seger

Tuesday, August 4

7:00 AM † Rich Wallen

Wednesday, August 5

5:15 PM † Won Hurh

Thursday, August 6

7:00 AM † Deceased Members of Norcross
Family

Friday, August 7

5:15 PM † Dan Phelan

Saturday, August 8

5:15 PM † James E. Wilson

Sunday, August 9

7:30 AM † Joey Thomas

10:00 AM † Ceal Majeres

Let Us Pray For

The Following Parishioners and Friends:

Joe Zaehring, Kevin Payne, Janelle Butzow, Kathleen Markey, Roger Baucom, Rosemary Mendenhall, Catherine Brecken, Diana Powell, Bob Scott, John Moore, Mary Harris, Rose Scheetz, Jim Zahndt, Maureen Maheu, Kay Winkel, Jacqueline Martin, Patricia Heap, John Lafferty, Rosemary Lynn, Monica Wolf, Ron Ruebush, Carol Goodin, Janet Gallagher, Becky Nichols, Linnea Andersson, Fr. Bo Schmitt, Bruce Biagini, all those who are suffering & their caregivers.

Upcoming Birthdays

(for over 75 years of age)

August 1 Fran Biagini

August 1 Tuangui Cheng

August 1 David Schauble

August 3 Sonja Creekmore

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, August 7

10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Benediction at 5:00 PM – St. Paul Chapel

St. Rose Catholic Church - Rushville, Illinois

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 1

5:00 PM † Liselotte Kramer

Sunday, August 2

8:00 AM † Edward Tebbe

Wednesday, August 5

8:30 AM † Helen Allen

Saturday, August 8

5:00 PM † Joseph Soobic

Sunday, August 9

8:00 AM † Jim Lee

Lector Schedule

August Lectors

Saturday Ellen Ehrgott

Sunday Theresa Korsmeyer

September Lectors

Saturday Linda Butler

Sunday Schuler Isley

Thank You for Your Generosity

St. Rose Altar & Rosary would like to thank all who donated to the new organ through memorials for Regina Ehrhardt, Nativity sets and personal donations. Regina loved music and this is a beautiful memorial to her.

Help Keep St. Rose Cool

The St. Rose Men's Group is seeking donations for a new air conditioner for the church. After more than 30 years, it's time for a replacement. To support this "cool cause," make your check payable to **St. Hubert Parish – St. Rose Men's Group** or use an envelope marked Men's Group. Place your donation in the collection or give it to Mark Thompson. Thank you, and God bless you for your support.

Let Us Pray For

Let us keep ALL the sick in our thoughts and our prayers, especially:

Faye Henricks, Cathy Campbell Green, Markus Schneider, Diana Pleviak, Joanne Ballow, Eileen King

Upcoming Birthdays

August 2 Gene Boerding

August 4 Rex Andrews

August 5 Kofi Abeve

August 6 Tammy Thomas

Weekday Mass Reminder

Weekday Mass will be held on **Wednesday, August 5**, with Adoration at 8:00 AM, Mass at 8:30 AM, then Coffee Club at 9:00 AM.

Announcements & Events

Sympathy

St. Paul Church extends our sympathy to Bruce and Catherine Breckon and their family. Their daughter, Diane Breckon, recently passed away. May she rest in peace.

Coffee & Doughnuts

Coffee and Doughnuts will be held this Sunday after the 10:00 AM Mass. Free will donations are welcome and can be made by contacting Mary Ann Severs seversmaryann@gmail.com or Sally Adams sa-adams2@wiu.edu. Come for the fellowship and a doughnut.

Regional Evangelization Summit

Join us on **Saturday, Aug. 15**, at Immaculate Conception Church in Monmouth for a one-day retreat and workshop. Through presentations, lunch, and Eucharistic Adoration, participants will deepen their relationship with Jesus and learn to share His love in everyday life. For more information, contact the parish office or register at cdop.org/mission.

St. Paul Golf Outing 2026

Join us for the 18th Annual St. Paul Home and School Association Golf Outing on **Saturday, Aug. 22**, at Harry Mussatto Golf Course. Registration begins at 8:00 AM, with a shotgun start at 9:00 AM. Golfers and sponsors are welcome, and all proceeds benefit St. Paul School. Come out and enjoy a day with family and friends because golfing "fore" St. Paul School is PAR-tastic!

150th Anniversary Vicariate Mass

Join Bishop Louis Tylka and the clergy of the Macomb Vicariate as we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Peoria on **Tuesday, Aug. 25**, at 5:00 PM at St. Paul Church. A light reception will follow Mass. All are welcome!

Be Filled Retreat

The Shalom Catholic Community invites you to the Be Filled Retreat on **Saturday, Sep. 12**, 9:30 AM–4:00 PM at St. Matthew Parish in Champaign. Led by Fr. Cristiano Pinheiro and Shalom missionaries, this bilingual (English/Portuguese) retreat offers an opportunity to experience God's love and the power of the Holy Spirit. All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. Register by Sep. 4. The \$30 fee includes lunch. Visit bit.ly/shalom912. Optional online preparation talks for English speakers will be available before the retreat.

St. Paul Choir

If you would like to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" (Ps 100:1) with our choir, please contact Terry Hostert at terry.hostert@gmail.com.

St. Nicholas Charity on Wheels

St. Nicholas Charity on Wheels is a ministry of Catholic Charities serving more than 900 families in need each month across the Peoria Diocese. To support this mission, Catholic Women are organizing a diocesan collection of supplies by vicariate. St. Hubert Parish will collect donations beginning the weekend of **Aug. 8–9** through **Thursday, Aug. 20**.

Items needed in August: Toilet paper, paper towels, feminine hygiene products, bar soap, Band-Aids, first aid ointment, and pain relievers (such as Tylenol or ibuprofen). Religious items are also appreciated, including small statues, holy cards, rosaries, Bibles, notepads, pens, and pencils.

Your generosity helps families throughout the Peoria Diocese meet basic needs while experiencing Christ's love in action. As Jesus reminds us in Matthew 25:40, *"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."* Please prayerfully consider supporting this important ministry.

Families in need may meet the St. Nicholas Van at the following locations in August:

- Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2:30 PM – Jameson Center, 1025 S. 2nd Street, Monmouth
- Friday, Aug. 21, 8:45 AM – St. Mary Church, 159 E. Chestnut Street, Canton

SDCCW Annual Convention

Registration for the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women 97th Annual Convention **ends Aug. 15**. The convention will be held **Thurs., Sep. 3**, in Quincy and features guest speaker Teresa Tomeo. The day begins with the Rosary and Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church, followed by the convention at the Ambiance Banquet Hall. Space is limited, so register soon. Visit

<https://stpaulmacomb.com/church/sdccw-97> for more information and to register.

Please Support Loaves & Fishes

Loaves & Fishes of McDonough County now assists an average of 524 families each month with grocery vouchers for those in need, including many seniors and children. As the need continues to grow, your support is more important than ever. Please **use the QR code** to make a secure online donation. Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting this vital community ministry.



Readings & Reflections

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings

For the Week of August 3

Monday

Jer 28:1-17

Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102

Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22

Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23

Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday

Jer 31:1-7

Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13

Mt 15:21-28

Thursday Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9

2 Pt 1:16-19

Mt 17:1-9

Friday

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7

Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41

Mt 16:24-28

Saturday Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest

Hb 1:12-2:4

Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

Mt 17:14-20

Sunday Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a

Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

Rm 9:1-5

Mt 14:22-33

Treasures from our Tradition

Over the last several weeks, the history of confirmation has been set out as a rite following baptism and preceding First Communion. Eucharist was a sacrament of spiritual maturity, attuned to the legal age of majority, which was considered to be fourteen years or so. Medieval bishops were often generous, if not especially pious, in seeing to it that children were confirmed before adulthood.

A pattern more familiar to us surfaced in the Diocese of Toulon in France in 1748, where it was decreed that “children are to be confirmed only after receiving First Communion.” This was an amazing shift in practice that undermined centuries of theology and tradition by which confirmation was seen as a bridge between font and table. The innovation swept through France and across Europe, despite constant complaints from Rome. French-trained bishops like Cheverus of Boston and Carroll of Baltimore, founders of the American church, established the practice here. **(continued on next column)**

Treasures from our Tradition (continued)

The order of the sacraments was thus disrupted in France and in the United States, and remained an eccentric exception to the rule until big developments in 1910.

—Rev. James Field

The Word in our Lives

Lessons to Be Learned

The miracle of the loaves and fishes is one of the best known in the Gospels. When Jesus performs a miracle, he is not trying to show off his power. His actions always illustrate a lesson. This miracle can teach us many things. Let's look at a few of them.

One is the compassion of Christ. He takes pity on the crowd and first shows his love by curing their sick. Then he sees that they are hungry and he feeds them. This reminds us that Jesus knows what we need and cares about us.

The bread reminds us of Jesus' temptation in the desert, where he told the tempter that “man does not live on bread alone.” Just as the miracle satisfied the hunger of five thousand families, so his word will satisfy the spiritual hunger of millions. The miracle also reminds us that Jesus will give us himself, his Body and Blood as bread and wine, to be our food and drink.

So the question is, do we learn from this miracle? Do we trust the Lord to care for all our needs? Do we try to live by God's word? And finally, do we take advantage of the great gift of the Eucharist? The miracle may have happened two thousand years ago, but the lessons are meant for us today.

—Tom Schmidt



Titles of Mary

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

August 2

At the basilica of Our Lady of the Angels in Cartago, Costa Rica, one can see the statue of Nuestra Señora de los Angeles that was found on that spot in 1635. Pilgrims visiting Cartago come here out of devotion to Mary. Many enter the shrine on their knees and then pray at the rock where the image was found.

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