

St. Hubert Parish - Diocese of Peoria



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 27, 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

St. Rose of Lima

Bridgett Phillips, Religious Education Coordinator

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday by Noon

St. Hubert Parish

Upcoming Events



St. Paul Church

Tuesday, September 29

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

Friday, October 2

6:00 AM That Man is You.....St. Paul

9:15 AM School Mass.....St. Paul

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

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

St. Rose Church

Wednesday, September 30

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

St. Francis of Assisi Newman Center

Sunday, September 27

12:00 PM Mass.....Newman Center

Tuesday, September 29

5:00 PM Mass.....Newman Center

Thursday, October 1

5:00 PM Mass.....Newman Center

Appreciation for Our Parish Councils, Commissions, and Committees

After the summer break, our Parish Councils have resumed their regular meetings. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all our council members, as well as to those who serve on our various parish commissions and committees. Thank you for your willingness to share your time, talents, and gifts in service to our parish community. Your time, dedication, and commitment are greatly appreciated. I also want to remind our parishioners of the names of those who serve in our Parish:

Parish Council: Beth Seipel, Bridget Phillips, Chris Adams, Jessica Butcher, Joan Sullivan, Judy Yeast, Mark Thompson, Laura Cody, Sharon Hoffbeck

Finance Council: Brett Isley, Brian Sullivan, Cheryl McGowan, Ellen Ehgott, Laura Heille, Lori Stortzum, Marilyn Sillars, Sharon Hoffbeck, Laura Cody

Capital Campaign: Peter Jorgensen, Jenny Bright, Brian Sullivan, Judy Yeast, Mike & Cheryl McGowan, Lora Heille, Sharon Hoffbeck, Laura Cody, Linda Butler, Jack Schoonover

Education Commission: Larry Adams, Cathy Neuman, Cathy Crain, Sally Adams, Theresa Young

Trustees: Linda Butler, Jack Schoonover

Father Marc NKULU, SMA
Pastor

Our Stewardship

St. Hubert Parish

Fiscal YTD needed (7/1/26-9/20/26).....\$102,696.00

Offertory Received Fiscal YTD\$87,466.00

Offertory Needed Each Week\$8,558.00

St. Paul

Offertory (9/14/26-9/20/26)\$2,542.00

Online Giving\$3,655.00

Roof Fund\$13.50

Building Fund\$2,883.50

Cemetery Fund\$31.50

St. Rose

Offering.....\$292.00

Online Giving.....\$265.00

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/parish-hall-information-progress/>

St. Paul Catholic Church - Macomb, Illinois

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 26 & 27, 2026

Mass.....Mass of Creation, #868

Entrance.....Come, Ye Thankful People, Come, #211

Prep. of Gifts.....We Walk by Faith, #482

Communion.....They'll Know We Are Christians, #456

Recessional.....Celtic Alleluia: Sending Forth, #380

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 26

5:15 PM † Lowell "Tommy" Thompson

Sunday, September 27

7:30 AM † Patrick Stump

10:00 AM † Ceal Majeres

Monday, September 28

5:15 PM † Donald Funke

Tuesday, September 29

7:00 AM † Jonelle Schauble

Wednesday, September 30

5:15 PM † Joe Kersting

Thursday, October 1

7:00 AM St. Hubert Parishioners

Friday, October 2

9:15 AM † Joseph Scoblic

5:15 PM † Dan Phelan

Saturday, October 3

5:15 PM † Robert Genenbacher

Sunday, October 4

7:30 AM † Rich Wallen

10:00 AM Rose Marie Lynn

Let Us Pray For

The Following Parishioners and Friends:

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

Upcoming Birthdays

(for over 75 years of age)

September 28 Kathleen Markey

October 1 Terry Stoneking

October 1 Ronald Tex

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, October 2

10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Benediction at 5:00 PM

St. Paul Chapel

St. Rose Catholic Church - Rushville, Illinois

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 26

5:00 PM † Sheila Yockey

Sunday, September 27

8:00 AM † Jan Thompson

Wednesday, September 30

8:30 AM † Sheila Yockey

Saturday, October 3

5:00 PM Communion Service

Sunday, October 4

8:00 AM † Luan Phillips

Lector Schedule

September Lectors

Saturday Linda Butler

Sunday Schuyler Isley

October Lectors

Saturday Ellen Ehr Gott

Sunday John Sullivan

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

Upcoming Birthdays

September 26 Theresa Korsmeyer

September 27 Ellen Butler

September 29 Norma Herbster

Mass Reminder

Weekday Mass will be held on **Wednesday, September 30**, with Adoration at 8:00 AM, Mass at 8:30 AM, then Coffee Club at 9:00 AM. Please note that there will be a Communion Service instead of Mass at St. Rose on **Saturday, Oct. 3** at 5:00 PM.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Announcements & Events

Celebrating 25 & 50 Years of Marriage

The Diocese of Peoria will celebrate its 2026 Diocesan 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Saturday, Nov. 7**, at 4:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception. Bishop Louis Tylka will celebrate the Mass and honor couples marking these special milestones.

St. Hubert couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2026 who would like to attend are asked to contact the Parish Office. Please contact us by **Sept. 28** so we can submit your information to the Diocese before the October 1 deadline.

Congratulations

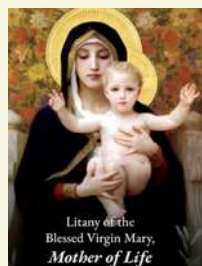
St. Hubert Parish wishes to congratulate Chris and Madalyn Grebner on their recent marriage. May they have many happy years together as they begin their new life together.

Pet Blessing & Animal Shelter Collection

In honor of the Oct. 4 feast of St. Francis, a Pet Blessing will be held **Monday, Oct. 5** at 2:45 PM on the St. Paul campus. Bring your pet to receive a blessing from Father Marc. The St. Paul School 2nd grade class is also collecting items for the McDonough County Animal Shelter. See posters at school and in the church gathering space for needed items. Monetary donations are also welcome. Donations may be left in the gathering space or on the school's front porch through Friday, Oct. 9.

Pro-Life Action Notice

From now through the end of October, the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer and action to STOP the spread of abortion pills. **Scan the QR code** to send a message to pharmacies and pharmaceutical companies that are involved.



First Shot in the New Gym Raffle

The 6th grade class is raffling off the chance to take the FIRST SHOT in our new gym! The winning shot will take place during the blessing of the gym once construction is complete. Date TBD. Bring your quarters and enter for your chance to make a little history! Raffle tickets are **just 25¢** each, and all proceeds will benefit the 6th grade class trip.

Annual Diocesan Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has already participated in this year's Annual Diocesan Appeal.

This year's theme, "You Will Be My Witnesses," comes to life through ministries that change lives every day. From helping young men discern a vocation through Emmaus Days, to strengthening marriages and families, to serving those in need through Catholic Charities, your generosity makes Christ's love visible throughout our Diocese.

If you have not yet made your gift, we invite you to prayerfully consider participating today. Click on the QR code below:



Our parish is striving for 100% participation, and every dollar raised above our goal will be returned to our parish to help support the ongoing needs of both St. Paul & St. Rose.

Green Mass – Feast of St. Francis

St. Hubert Parish will celebrate Green Masses the weekend of **Oct. 3 & 4** in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, with a special focus on Care of Creation. These Masses will also mark the conclusion of the Season of Creation, a time of prayer and action for our common home.

Office Hours

The Parish Office will be **CLOSED Thursday, Oct. 1 through Wednesday, Oct. 7** from 12:00–3:00 PM. Regular office hours will resume Thursday, Oct. 8 from 8:00 AM–12:00 PM and 1:00–3:00 PM.

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 date, **\$2,250 has been donated** toward the total HVAC **cost of \$6,567.70**. Thank you to everyone who has generously contributed! 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 may God bless all our donors for your generosity to our church.

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.

Readings & Reflections

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings

For the Week of September 28

Monday

Job 1:6-22

Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7

Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12ab

Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5

Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of Church

Job 9:1-12, 14-16

Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15

Lk 9:57-62

Thursday Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Job 19:21-27

Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14

Lk 10:1-12

Friday Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5

Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday

Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17

Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130

Lk 10:17-24

Sunday Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7

Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

Phil 4:6-9

Mt 21:33-43

Treasures from our Tradition

The sacrament of penance has a long and difficult history. The Church sometimes struggles with how best to be faithful to the image of an all-forgiving God. Once a very public rite with publicly visible participation on the part of the penitent, it became in time a very private matter. By the fourteenth century, when a prayer of absolution and a laying on of hands was still required in sacramental confession, theologians were saying that even that was too much liturgy. All that was required was confession itself, and the sacramental words *Ego te absolvo*, or "I absolve you."

In 1614 the Council of Florence tried to flesh out this bare skeleton, requiring that if possible the priest should wear a stole, that the confession should be in church, and that there be questions about the person's state in life, occupation, and last confession.

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Treasures from our Tradition (continued)

This is the first time the Church recommended that the penitent and priest be separated by a grill, thereby eliminating the ritual laying on of hands once so central to the sacrament, substituting the priest's raised right hand in blessing. This is the rite that remained in force until the sacrament became the subject of very stormy debates at the Second Vatican Council, leading to a major reform in 1974 that is still only partially received.

—Rev. James Field



The Word in our Lives

The Understanding Father

Jesus is saying something important in today's Gospel. He talks about tax collectors and prostitutes who repented after hearing John the Baptist preach. He must have shocked the priests and elders when he said those prostitutes would enter the kingdom of God before them. After all, his listeners had spent their whole lives being faithful to the Law. Yet Jesus was saying that sinners who repented will enter God's kingdom first. Jesus' point was not so much about final salvation as about our daily choices.

Remember the parable about the two sons. The second son said what his father wanted to hear, with no intention of doing it. The first was honest about not wanting to go to the vineyard, but then decided to do it anyway. I suspect the father of those men knew what each would or would not do.

And whom do we want to imitate? The priests and elders said all the right things about obeying God's laws, but they were more interested in looking important than living a holy life. Are we like that—telling everyone I am a good Christian, going to church every Sunday (or at least on Christmas and Easter), and yet never making any effort to be loving, forgiving, patient, honest, or any of the difficult things that Jesus calls us to be?

The tax collectors and sinners knew that they were unworthy, but they listened to the call to repentance and let God make them worthy. Are we honest enough to look at our lives and repent of our hatred, our selfishness, or whatever keeps us in sin, and then to follow Jesus with our whole heart? We may not always like doing what God asks of us, but God is an understanding Father who can accept our weaknesses and forgive them when we are ready to return to him.

—Tom Schmidt

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