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Sunday Mass

Saturday: 4:45pm **LIVESTREAM**

Sunday: 8:30am 10:30am

7:00pm RESUMES Aug. 21

Daily Mass

Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri: NOON

Thursday (TNL) RESUMES Aug. 25

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm

or by appointment

Adoration

Thursdays: 5-8pm

Evening Prayer

Mondays: 5:30pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Rosary

Thursdays: 5:30pm

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022



Congratulations to **Luke Novak** and **Dawn Bratsch-Prince**. They were elected to the Pastoral Council for 3 year terms. We thank **Carole Barragy** for her willingness to serve our parish as a nominee.

Thanks to **Emily Beudry** for her service on the pastoral council as she completes a 3-year term.

Congratulations Graduates ! Graduate TNL May 2022



Family Fellowship & Adoration

STA would like to invite all families to an opportunity for prayer, fun, and food! We will be having family Adoration, games and a meal on Sunday, May 15 from 4-6pm. Adoration will be available in the worship space from 4-5pm and families are welcome to pray for as long (or short!) as they desire, with games also available for play in the lower lounge. A rosary will be said at 4:15 and a meal will be served at 5pm in the lower lounge. Your family may spend the time upstairs with Jesus *any way you want*, with coloring books, children's Bibles, praying the Rosary, or just sitting and enjoying the peace that comes from being in his presence! For more information contact Jacquie Novak at jacquie.novak@gmail.com.



Our prayer board in the Gathering Space is located next to the Story Wall and elevator. We invite you to place your prayers and petitions for yourself or for loved ones, so all who pause here may see and pray with you. In doing so we are not alone in our prayers. As a community of faith we support one another and we join others in lifting these needs up to the Lord.





With **Realm Online Giving** you can use your credit or debit card to make online donations (to parish support as well as other STA funds), as a one-time or recurring gift. You can click “Online Giving” in the Quick Links on the parish homepage www.staparish.net, but we encourage you to set up a Realm Profile if you are a parishioner or regular giver. By doing so you not only can make online donations from your profile, but you can verify and track, as well as print your donation record (online as well as checks) at any time. To **set up a Realm profile** you need an invitation from the parish. Contact Elizabeth at elizabeth@staparish.net OR 515-292-3810 to get started with setting up a profile or with any questions about Realm. If you have any questions about giving, contact Net at net@staparish.net OR 515-292-3810.



Five full-time FOCUS Missionaries have been partnering with the professional campus ministers at St. Thomas Aquinas. This years FOCUS Team included the following members (Sophie Albert, Rachel Nurse, Kate Phelps, Noah Huber, and Joe Heyrman). These FOCUS Missionaries will spend the summer away from STA completing their annual summer training.

For the 2022 Academic Year, there will be a change in the FOCUS Team. Rachel Nurse, after serving at STA for 4 1/2 years will move to Denver, CO to work for FOCUS National. Noah Huber, after serving at STA for 2 years will move to University of Minnesota- Duluth to serve as the Team Director of the FOCUS Team in Minnesota.

Kate Phelps, who has served at STA for 2 years, will assume the Team Director position at Iowa State University, and will be accompanied by Sophie Albert and Joe Heyrman as they will also return. Two new missionaries will join the team and on June 1, 2022 is when the new missionaries will be announced.

Please pray for the transition in team members and for the missionaries as they are at training in the summer months.



Everyday
STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives His disciples - and us - a new commandment: *“Love one another.”* Good stewards who spend their time and talents in service to others are well on their way to fulfilling this commandment.



Beginning June 4/5 the Angels Room (nursery) will be opened during weekend Masses. Parents using the room during Mass are expected to stay within the room with their children. Audio from the Mass is available inside the room. During May we will pare down the children's items kept in the room as well as cleaning and disinfecting.



Pray the rosary for Ukraine

All are invited to pray the rosary for Mary's intercession and protection for the people of Ukraine. The rosary will be recited every Thursday in the church at 5:30pm. Pray with us!



On the **back of the bulletin** are businesses that support STA through a paid bulletin ad. As a result we are able to print and distribute this bulletin each weekend at no cost to the parish.

Please support these businesses, many of them parishioners, if you can do so.



READINGS THIS WEEK

- Sundays:** Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
- Monday:** Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
- Friday:** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
- Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-2

<http://uscgb.org/bible/>



End-of-Mass-Announcements & Prayers of the Faithful

Friday 9:00am

send to: Michael Steimel
michael@staparish.net

Print Bulletin & E-bulletin

Tuesday at Noon

send to: Bobby LeBlanc
bobby@staparish.net

God is Saying Something to Us

“God has something unique to say to each one of us. God desires to speak to our hearts—words of love or forgiveness or consolation or encouragement, or words that invite us to share more deeply in his life. He may want to say to us words of challenge and inspiration that call us to live more generously and compassionately and with more love to those around us. God always has a personal word addressed to each one of us.

“I have chosen six statements to capture the flow and graces of the *(Ignatian Spiritual)* Exercises. They are rooted in St. Ignatius' own experience of God. I believe they are words that God desires to speak to our hearts:

- You are loved.***
- You are gifted.***
- You are forgiven.***
- You are called.***
- You are invited.***
- You are sent.***

“When we really hear and believe these words, our hearts will be changed, and our lives will be transformed and filled with the peace that only God can give.”

— Gerald Fagin, SJ
Discovering Your Dream

[Fr Jerry was a Jesuit in the New Orleans Province of the Society of Jesus, long time theology professor at Loyola University and was Bobby LeBlanc's spiritual director for several years as well as the retreat director of his 30-day-silent retreat. His book *Discovering Your Dream* was published posthumously by Loyola Press.]



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Dear Parishioners,

I am happy to be your archbishop, and to partner with you to continue the mission of Jesus in the ministries of his Catholic Church.

On 29 September 2019, I announced a special appeal to help the poor and to support the mission of the Church. **ArchdioceseOne**, as we named it, was then paused due to the pandemic and resumed in January, 2022. The needs addressed by the four financial beneficiaries of the special appeal only become greater as each day passes:

- The Priest Pension Plan for our retired priests
- The Seminarian Education Endowment
- Repairs and Upgrades to the Cathedral of St. Raphael
- Immigration Legal Services through Catholic Charities

We're hoping that when we each do our part, our special appeal will produce the following spiritual benefits as well:

- to strengthen unity in our Archdiocese
- to deepen our practice of stewardship as a way of life
- to heal the Church with the medicine of charity

I invite you to visit our special appeal website to watch a short introductory video at www.archdioceseone.org. Here you will find more information about our financial beneficiaries and answers to frequently asked questions.

We can't hope for the material and spiritual success of our special appeal unless this holy work is begun with God's inspiration and carried out by God's help. Thus, all are invited to pray the official prayer:

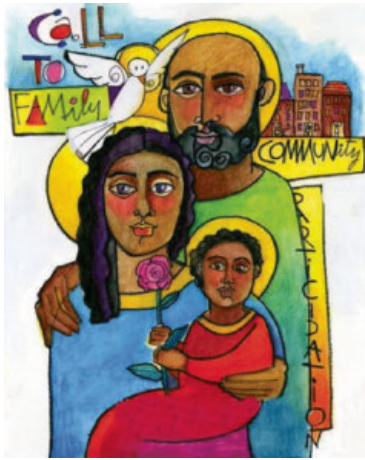
God, come to our assistance. Lord, make haste to help us.

You will hear more about **ArchdioceseOne** in the coming weeks through communications by both the parish and archdiocese. These communications will be by mail, social media, bulletins, and in pews. This includes another letter from me with information about how you can make a sacrificial financial gift to support the poor and the mission of the Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Michael O. Jackels
Archbishop of Dubuque

Catholic Social Teaching



PRINCIPLE TWO

CALL TO FAMILY, COMMUNITY and PARTICIPATION

“The human person is not only sacred, but social. We realize our dignity and rights in relationship with others, in community.... The family has major contributions to make in addressing questions of social justice. It is where we learn and act on our values...We also have the right and responsibility to participate in and contribute to the broader communities in society... A central test of political, legal and economic institutions is what they do to people, what they do for people, and how people participate in them.”

U.S. Catholic Bishops, *A Century of Social Teaching*

Questions for Reflection

- What are the dominant values in your family and community life? What values do you want to be dominant, and why?
- What can you do to ensure that persons living in poverty in your community have a voice in matters affecting the community and their own lives?



Thank you so much for hosting a blood drive. We appreciate your work and dedication to helping us save lives.

There were 59 presenting donors.

54 units of blood were collected.

Thank you!

The American Red Cross

Thanks to **Mary Lynch** the STA Blood Drive Coordinator.



Congratulations and Welcome!

Luke Phillip Banovetz, son of Haley and Joseph, who was recently baptized into our Catholic Christian community.

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Masses @ St. Cecilia

Saturday at 5:00pm

Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am

Misa en Espanol el domingo a las 5:00pm

Weekday Masses

—in the church—

Tuesday & Thursday & Friday: 7:30am

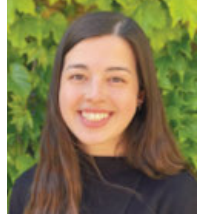
Wednesday: 9:00am *School Mass*



You are invited to send your prayer requests to prayers@staparish.net

We ask that the person who is being prayed for has given their permission for the information to be shared.

Congratulations



Darbi Shaw, an Iowa State University graduating senior in graphic design, is the recipient of the 2022 Janice Peterson Anderson Medallion

Award. This award is presented annually to an outstanding senior in graphic design, interior design or integrated studio arts who “shows the greatest potential for distinguished work in design. *Darbi, an STA parishioner, designed the STA 75th Anniversary logo.*

Women of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish:

The Seven Sisters Apostolate for Fr. Kyle has various openings for the women of the parish. The Seven Sisters spend an hour of their choosing on their assigned day every week in front of the Blessed Sacrament, either exposed in the Monstrance or reposed in the Tabernacle, praying for Fr. Kyle, his ministry and his intentions. In addition to a vacancy among the permanent members for Monday, Friday, and Saturday, there is a need for substitutes to cover holy hours on an as needed basis. Please take some time to discern if you are being called to serve in any of these capacities in this beautiful ministry. If so, please contact Jacquie Novak at jacquie.novak.com or 319-531-7682 for more information or to sign up. Informational pamphlets will be provided. This is a powerful ministry for our pastors with many spiritual benefits for the women who pray for them!

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