

Carlyle K of C Council 1382
Bingo: Wed. at 7:30pm.
Meetings—2nd Tuesday of the month 7:30pm
Breakfast— 3rd Sun of the month 8-noon.
Fish fry's —*First Friday of the month*

Walking in the Parish Center
M-F only 8am-3pm
With the exception of holidays


ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH *Est. 1853*

1171 Jefferson St., Carlyle, IL 62231

Fr. Steven Pautler, Pastor
Fr. Devarajulu Ubbarapu

April 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter
First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41
Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25
Gospel: John 10: 1-10



STRAIGHT FROM THE COLLAR
PADRE STEVE, WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH...

Got burning questions, holy curiosities, or just want to stump your parish priest? Send them to spautler@stmarycentralia.org and I'll give it my best shot—collar, coffee, and a sense of humor included!

Question: Will the Pope come for the bishop's ordination. And why is he being ordained again?

Answer:
The Pope makes the call, but he does not usually make the trip. The ordination happens locally with other bishops. And yes, he is already a priest, so no one is starting over. Holy Orders has three levels, and becoming a bishop is the next step. It is like moving from one responsibility to a much bigger one overnight. On that day, hands are laid on him, prayers are said, and he receives the signs of his office. And yes, that chair we talked about will finally have someone sitting in it again. It will be a full church and a big day!

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the domestic, anti-poverty social justice program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. CCHD is offering a local paid internship for Catholics in our diocese to help promote the important work of CCHD and to offer experience working with and on behalf of those in poverty.

The internship will provide practical work in carrying out the mandate of CCHD, opportunities to develop relationships with community leaders, reflection on Catholic social teaching, and opportunities for sharing the experience with other CCHD interns. Fluency in Spanish is an asset. The internship is for an average of 14 hours a week for 23 weeks during the 2026-2027 school year. The internship time period could be adjusted to mostly in the summer of 2026 if needed. **The intern will be required to attend a virtual orientation from May 27-29.**

Applicants must be a practicing Catholic with a desire to grow in an understanding of Catholic Social Teaching. **Please send your resume by April 30 to Cheryl Sommer, CCHD Diocesan Coordinator at cchddiobelle@gmail.com or contact 618-624-2838 with any questions.**

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH 6TH ANNUAL QUILT RAFFLE

We will be giving away 20 beautiful hand quilted, queen-sized quilts! Tickets are \$25 each, with only 500 tickets sold. If your name gets drawn as a winner, your name goes back in for the remaining draws. To purchase a ticket, you can either place your check/cash in an envelope and put it in the collection basket at St. Boniface or St. Cecilia Church, you can place it in the drop box at either parish office, or mail it to: St. Boniface Church, PO Box 280, Germantown, IL 62245.

Please include your name and a valid phone number with your ticket purchase. Also, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope so we can mail you your ticket stub. You can also purchase a ticket at Germantown Trust and Savings Bank, either Germantown, Bartelso, or Breese location. The tickets cannot leave the bank since we have a limited number to be sold, so they will need to be purchased and filled out at the bank. The 20 winners will be drawn on Sunday, June 14!

Vocation Corner

April 26,
World Day of Prayer for Vocations:

Today we acknowledge the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother, or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call. To quote Pope Francis, "Each one of us is called – whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in the ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration – in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now."

Schedule of Upcoming 2026 Healing Masses

Information will be updated whenever the office is notified.

St. Anthony (Beckemeyer)/St. Dominic/St. Augustine -

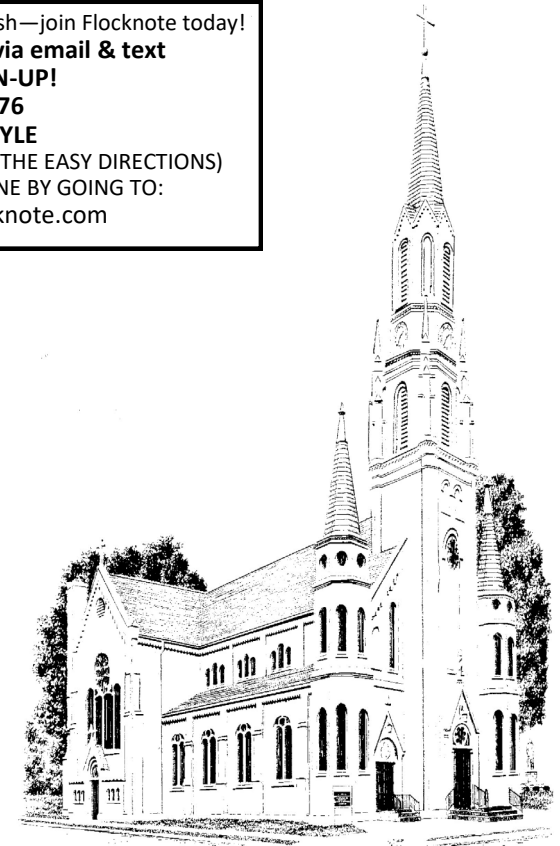
5/19/26

St. Cecilia/St. Boniface-7/21/26

St. Elizabeth/St. Teresa (Salem) - 9/15/26

Need a Visit or the Sacraments?
If someone is hospitalized, homebound, or in urgent need of the sacraments, including Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Steve directly 618-532-6291 x307

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Mission statement:
Our mission is to involve ourselves in lay ministries, living and spreading the gospel message of justice and peace.

BELLEVILLE DIOCESE CHILD PROTECTION
www.diobelle.org/faith-formation/child-protection
SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: **800-640-3044.**

		<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>	<u>MASS SERVERS</u>	<u>GIFT BEARERS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
Apr 25 <hr/> Apr 26	4:30 pm	Jane Beckmann	Keri Mitchell Linda Peppenhorst Michele Foster Susan Winkeler	Paula Kampwerth Nick Christ Tiffany Wesselmann	Alex Timmermann Hailey Timmermann Kelsie Horton	Bryan & Kerri Peters Family Skip Etter Shirley Etter Darlene Diekemper
	10:00 am	Paulette Deiters	Stacy Holthaus Jeannie Kleber Ed Kleber Geraldyn Hodapp	Linda McNurlen Lisa Eversgerd Mary Hugo	Volunteer Charlotte Nolte Clark Kauling	Diane Hodapp Family Karen Miller Gail Von Hatten Chad Holthaus
May 2 <hr/> May 3	4:30 pm	Joann Banwarth	Linda Peppenhorst Suzanne Christ Barb Crouse Nick Christ	Rosie Nehrt Keri Mitchell Tiffany Wesselmann	Volunteer Volunteer Beckett Howard	Susan Howard Family Dave Beckmann Marian Perez Chuck Rolingsmeier
	10:00 am	First Communicants	Emily Von Hatten Angie Von Hatten Mary Hartung Chad Holthaus	Stacy Holthaus Geraldyn Hodapp Paulette Deiters	Owen Clark Kelsie Horton Ella Myers	First Communicants Bernard Hodapp Mark Rainey Ted Rensing

MASS TIMES:
Monday - Friday - 7:30 am
Thursday— 10:00am— Carlyle Health Care Center
Saturday—4:30pm
Sunday—10:00am
Reconciliation—Sat. 3:45-4:15pm
Holy Days—as announced

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Fax: 618-594-4638

Faith Formation:
Every Wednesday 6:30pm-7:30pm
Call 594-2284 for more information

To join the Choir or become a Cantor:
Contact the office at 594-2225

Church Calendar on Google:
stmarycarlyle@gmail.com

Sacrament of Baptism:
Call Fr. Pautler 594-2225 to register.

Sacrament of Marriage:
Please make an appointment with Fr. Pautler at least six months in advance, preferably a year.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):
Meets Monday evenings from 7pm to 8:30pm (September thru Easter) at the St. Dominic Annex in Breese. Please contact Fr. Pautler for any questions.

Questions about Vocations:
Call Fr. Nick Junker 618-722-5035 or email njunker08@hotmail.com

Parish Registration:
We welcome Catholics new to Carlyle and ask that you register with us by filling out the blue form located on the radiators or by stopping at the office in the Parish Center. Parish Registration forms are also online.

Library Hours: Wed. 6:30-7:30pm during school year

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 9:00 am

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:
Mater Dei High School 618-526-7216 materdeiknights.org
All Saints Academy 618-526-4323 www.asasaints.com

PARTNERED PARISH
St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church
18021 Marydale Rd., Carlyle, IL
618-594-3266 www.stteresamarydale.com
MASS TIMES: Saturday 7:30pm, Sunday 8:00am

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Liturgy for the Week...

Sat, Apr 25	4:30 pm	Art, Cornelia & Mark Schomaker Jeffory Morrison Arnie & Fern Wobbe
Sun, Apr 26	10:00 am	Clara & Joseph Athmer L/D Members of Clinton J & Leona (Deters) Hoffman Family Alfred & Victoria Thole
Mon, Apr 27	7:30 am	For caregivers and those who support the sick
Tues, Apr 28	7:30 am	Joe Brueggemann Leroy Wiegmann
Wed, Apr 29	7:30 am	For gratitude for God's daily blessings
Thu, Apr 30	7:30 am	Mary Rita & Henry Hilmes
Fri, May 1	7:30 am	For our Holy Father, bishops, priests, and deacons
Sat, May 2	4:30 pm	Mary Lou Bowman Ed, Bea & Dan Frank Paul, Johanna & Joe Rakers
Sun, May 3	10:00 am	Johanna Diekemper Leland & Margaret Lovell Henry Schmeink

Stewardship... April 12th collections

Envelopes: \$15,337	Loose: \$1369
Online Giving: \$120	Cemetery: \$242
Catholic School Assessment: \$20	Capital Campaign: \$185
Catholic Home Mission: \$40	Guatemala: \$
Israel: \$400	

Register Now for VBS 2026

to join us at Changemakers Lab. The Bible stories throughout the week of **June 15th - June 19th** will explore examples of people who experienced or brought about change in the world around them. At Changemakers Lab, kids, ages 3½ yrs. old to students entering 5th grade, will see and experience the transforming love of God and will discover and share creative ways to make a difference in the world through words and actions. Grounded in God's love, children will use their unique gifts to make a difference wherever they go! Registration forms were passed out at Faith Formation and are available in church or at the Parish Center. **The registration deadline is MAY 6, 2026.**



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who supported the pork steak dinner this week. A special thank you to those who gave their time to help in the kitchen and on the parking lot. The proceeds will benefit St. Mary's building fund.

Adult Servers	Mon., Wed., Fri. April 27, 29, & May 1: Paul Kauling Tues. & Thurs., April 28 & 30: Glenn Foppe
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Schedule of Events...

Wednesday 6:30-7:30 pm Faith Formation
Sun. May 3: First Communion Mass, St. Mary, Carlyle
Sun. May 17: KC Breakfast to benefit Chakota

Congratulations! Join us in celebrating a great honor for one of our own. **Duane Grapperhaus**, our Music and Liturgy Director, has been selected as the 2026 inductee to the **Wall of Honor at Mater Dei Catholic High School**. His love for sacred music and his steady hand in leading worship have lifted not only our parish, but many across the region. The celebration will take place on **May 1 at 6:30 pm at Mater Dei Catholic High School in Breese**. Please congratulate Duane on this wonderful honor.

Vendor Fair: St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church Altar Society is having a Spring Vendor Fair on **Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** The Vendor Fair will be held in the parish hall located at 120 N. Windmill, Marine, IL. Free entry; food will be available.

All are invited to join Father Godfrey for the **Spring Farm Blessing** which will be held on **Tuesday, April 28th at 1:00 pm** at the Ryan Peter Family Farm, 7755 Highway 15, Mt. Carmel, IL.. Those attending are invited to bring seeds, farm animals, farm equipment and machinery to be blessed.

Rummage/Bake Sale: St. Anthony's Parish Center, 451 West Third St., Beckemeyer, **April 30th, May 1 & 2, 2026**. Hours: Thursday, April 30 9am-8pm (Full Price), Friday, May 1 9am-8pm (1/2 price), Sat. May 2 9am-12pm (\$4/Bag).

St Ann's Sodality is having a Mass for all living and deceased members of St. Ann's Altar Sodality on **Tuesday, May 5th at 7:30 am**. All members of the parish are invited to join us in worship.

First Holy Communion 2026



Barrett Brown
Bennett Brown
Henry Christeson
Avery Clark
Hayven Diekemper
Henry John Diekemper

Kevin Guardian
Charli Mae Hughes
Erick Eugene Horton
Evan Knolhoff
Isaak Paul Loepker
Rowen Myers
Arely Salinas
Maria Salinas
Emma Schomaker
Hendrix Smith
Allie Voss
Cash Wildhaber

Congratulations to our First Communicants!

Condolences to the family of Ronald Lager who passed away Monday, April 20, 2026. May he rest in God's peace.

Mon., Wed., Fri. May 4, 6, & 8: Tom Frerker
Tues. & Thurs., May 5 & 7: Ron Zurliene



Message from our pastor Father Steve

Sunday, April 26, 2026

4th Sunday of Easter

Scripture: Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41; Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10

Every one of us carries a bit of the Good Shepherd in our bones. You see it on a Monday morning when that school bus stops and traffic slows. Some folks stop a little farther back than needed, almost like they are guarding the moment. No one taught them that in driver's ed. That comes from somewhere deeper. It is the instinct to protect, to notice, to care.

Parents and grandparents take it to another level. Somewhere along the way they develop eyesight that would impress an eagle. They can spot trouble from across the yard, behind a tree, or three houses down. At recess at St. Mary School, I try to walk that same line. One minute I am laughing with the kids, the next I am scanning the playground like a sentry. A good shepherd knows his flock. He knows the ones who drift. He knows the ones who stir things up. He knows the ones who stay steady. It is not about control. It is about care.

Jesus says in John's Gospel that the shepherd knows his sheep and calls them by name. That line matters. This is not crowd management. This is personal. The shepherd is not guessing. He is not distant. He is close enough to notice.

Then life turns, as it always does. The ones who watched over us begin to lean on us. I saw it with my mom. After retirement she lived in a duplex. On the other side was her lifelong friend LaVerne. Both had buried their husbands. Each morning began the same way. A call or a knock. You up. You okay. It was simple. It was faithful. It was shepherding.

That is how this Gospel lands. Jesus is not talking about a job. He is revealing a way of living. The Good Shepherd does not clock out. He stays near. He protects. He calls. He leads. He gives peace, steady guidance, and a quiet strength when fear tries to take hold.

And here is the quiet truth. We are all in both places. At times we are the sheep who need to hear our name. At other times we are the ones watching the road, scanning the playground, making the call next door.

So pay attention to those small moments. Stopping the car. Watching the yard. Making the call. Those are not small at all. That is the voice of the Good Shepherd echoing through an ordinary day, shaping hearts, forming habits, and quietly drawing us closer to him.

Please remember in our prayers: Sharon Stewart, Sandy Wehking, Tom & Gwen Baird, Candy Blackburn, Ryan Wittenauer, Geri Wellinghoff, Diane Langenhorst, Baillie Johnson, Sharon Aach, Dasalm Family, Scott Carson, JoAnn Gray, Mel Thole, Zoe Puetz, Jillian Musgrove, Jennifer Riesmeyer, Vince Rolves, Sr. Carole Langhauser PHJC, Janet Compare and Ethel Petermeyer

If you wish your loved ones to be added to prayer list, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Please pray for all expectant mothers and the child they are carrying or have recently had their babies along with their families:

Lauren, Jessica & Courtney

Are you an expectant mother or do you know of someone that we can pray for throughout the pregnancy & post-term? Please contact the office. We will place a rose on the altar by Mary with the parents name and the baby's expectant month of arrival on a card attached to the rose.

Once the baby is born, the family may take the rose.

Please contact the parish office once the baby is born so we can take mom's name off the list.

During the month of April the Sanctuary candle in our parish church burns in loving memory of:



**Leroy
Wiegmann**

May 2026	Barry Dixon
June 2026	Jerry & Abby Beer
July 2026	Mike Stanfa & Jackie Turner
August 2026	Nancy Zieren
September 2026	Arnie & Fern Wobbe
October 2026	Jeff & John Peppenhorst
November 2026	Darrell Evans, Joe & Agnes Kampwerth, Ruth Limpers
December 2026	Deceased Members of Diekemper & Wiegman Families
April 2027	Leroy Wiegmann
July 2027	Bradley Edmund
September 2027	John & Jeff Peppenhorst

To help cover the expenses of the candle, we offer the opportunity each month for individuals to dedicate an intention. A \$60.00 donation is requested. Please reach out to the Parish Office to make your intention.