

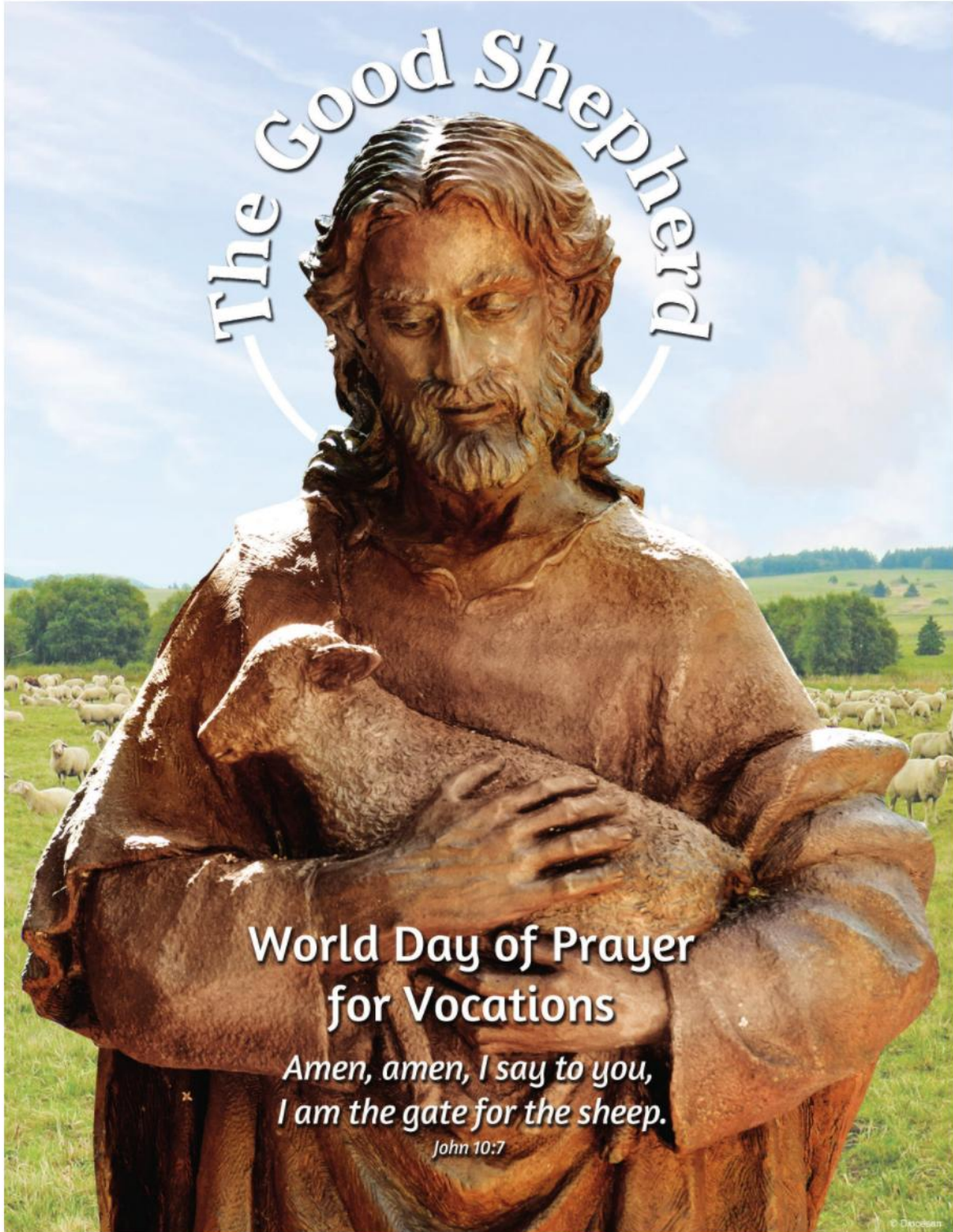


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April 21, 2024 • Good Shepard Sunday

## Mass Intentions

(+Deceased, L-Living)



### April 21—April 27, 2024

#### Sunday, April 21

8am + Tony & +Susie Juliano  
9:30am People of Holy Spirit Parish  
11am + Providence Brencic

#### Monday, April 22

9am + Kevin Miller

#### Tuesday, April 23

9am + Edit Hoffer

#### Wednesday, April 24

9am + Julie Ann Tkaczuk

#### Saturday, April 27

4:30pm + Laurie DeMarino

## Rosary Sunday April 28th

following the 11am mass



## Our Lady of Good Counsel—April 26 Pray for Us

**All those who are in our hearts facing illness.**

*We ask our Lord Jesus Christ to bring healing, comfort, and peace to them. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of His love.*

**All those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.**

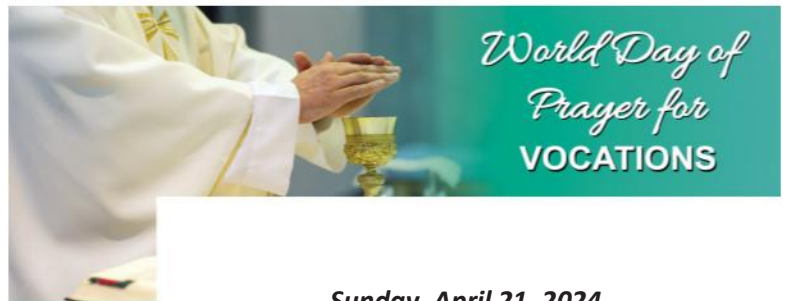
*O Lord, may they find light, happiness and peace in Your presence.*

**All first responders and law enforcement officers, who put their lives on the line to keep us safe at home.**

**All active duty military service members who have been deployed, and their families.**

**All veterans—past and present.**

*Mary's 'good counsel' is in several Gospel verses, most notably in John 2:5, the Wedding Feast of Cana, when Mary, Mother of Jesus says to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." As Jesus' first and most faithful disciple, Mary presents her son to us as teacher, truth and life.*



**Sunday, April 21, 2024**

### Prayer for Vocations by Pope Francis

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that you inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

*Seek*  
HIS FACE



*Know*  
HIS LOVE



*Serve*  
HIS PEOPLE

## HSCC Weekly Parish e-Newsletter



If \*you are not currently receiving the **weekly parish e-newsletter** and would like to, please send your email address to [Welcome@hsc.us](mailto:Welcome@hsc.us) and we will update our parishioner email list.

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April 21, 2024

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12 | 1 Jn 3:1-2 | Jn 10:11-18

Written by  
THE  
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DISCIPLE

### **GROW AS A DISCIPLE** | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Several years ago I went to a shopping mall with my six-year-old son, and I could tell he was overwhelmed by the fast-moving crowds; he stuck close to my side. Not long into our trip, he turned a corner and, suddenly, his face lit up. He pointed at a young boy ahead. "That's James! I know him! He's in my class!" he exclaimed, and ran up to talk to him. Out of the sea of strangers was someone he *knew*, and who knew him. That changed the whole experience for him. Today's readings are all about that kind of knowing. In the Gospel Jesus tells us that, like a good shepherd, he knows his flock and they know him. How comforting it is to know that Jesus not only knows each one of us, but he willingly chose to lay down his life for each one of us as the ultimate sacrifice of love. But how do we get to know our Good Shepherd better? By immersing ourselves in Scripture and prayer and seeking a personal relationship with him. If we stay close to the Lord, we'll know his voice when we hear it – in the quiet of our prayer, in the everyday promptings of the Spirit in our decision-making, and even, in the midst of all the noise, as the calming and guiding voice leading us along the right path.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Being known is one of the most fundamental human and spiritual needs. When my son recognized his friend, he also instinctively recognized – without being able to articulate it – this need, in the midst of the anonymity of the mall. And his reaction was so pure: "I know him, and he knows me!" But he didn't leave it at that; he went to engage with his friend. He *encountered* his friend. This is what Christ desires for, and with us – not just to know us, to simply recognize us from afar, but for us to want to encounter him! We are meant to be in community; Jesus is always here for us: in the Church, in the sacraments, in Scriptures and in our hearts.

**PRAY** Spending time in prayer and reading the Scriptures are essential in order to get to know the voice of Jesus. Read the Gospels this week, even a chapter a day, and contemplate what passages stand out for you. Pray about it at Mass. The Scriptures and the sacraments are how Jesus speaks to us, like a good shepherd speaks to his flock so the sheep will know his voice and follow it.



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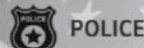
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A CELEBRATION OF ALL FIRST RESPONDERS & MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS & VETERANS

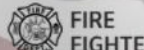
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# St. Peregrine Mass

Wednesday, May 8  
at 7:00pm

St. Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patients.

We will gather together to remember and pray for those in our community and in our families who have been affected by cancer.



## Stop Assisted Suicide

A Better Way Forward – A Message from the Catholic Bishops of Illinois

Legislation has been introduced to legalize assisted suicide in Illinois. SB 3499 makes it legal for a physician to prescribe an array of lethal drugs to a person diagnosed with a terminal disease who requests to end his or her life. The Catholic Bishops of Illinois oppose this legislation; there is a better way forward for our state.

Assisted suicide disregards the Hippocratic Oath, “Do No Harm,” and sends the wrong message about the role of medical professionals. We cannot say it any better than the American Medical Association: “Physician assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician’s role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would provide serious societal risks.”

This legislation brings a range of possible abuses. It should alarm us that in states with legalized assisted suicide there are documented cases of people being offered inexpensive lethal drugs to end their life rather than being provided more costly treatment. The poor and those with disabilities are particularly in jeopardy because they are the most vulnerable to abuses. Every major national organization that represents people with disabilities is opposed to assisted suicide.

In Oregon, where assisted suicide has been legal since 1997, data show that pain is not among the top five reasons why a person wants to end their life. Loss of autonomy, feelings of being a burden and being less able to engage in activities that make life enjoyable are most often cited as reasons for choosing assisted suicide. A better way forward is to expand mental health coverage and strengthen social supports such as community programs to help those dealing with depression and feelings of hopelessness.

No one wants to suffer or experience a loved one’s suffering. Fortunately, there are effective ways to alleviate suffering or make a person more comfortable at the end of life through palliative care. This relatively new specialty area of medicine cares for the whole person — physically, emotionally, socially, and spiritually — to relieve symptoms and stress that often accompany serious illness or side effects of treatment. A better way forward is to expand the number of palliative care locations and services in all areas of Illinois.

### RESOURCES FROM THE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE OF ILLINOIS

Assisted suicide is not a compassionate solution for those who suffer. There is a better way forward that offers compassionate care and compassionate choices.

Visit [ilcatholic.org](http://ilcatholic.org) to find out how to contact your local elected officials to tell them to vote NO on SB 3499.

There you will also find:

- Information on assisted suicide
- Frequently asked questions
- Prayers and novenas to combat suicide
- Webinar on assisted suicide

[ilcatholic.org/stop-assisted-suicide](http://ilcatholic.org/stop-assisted-suicide)



# VBS 2024!



Let's dive into friendship with God this summer! Vacation Bible School will be held June 24-28, 2024 from 9:30am until noon at #SCC. VBS is open to any student entering grades K-6 in the Fall

Spots are limited!  
Registration closes May 12!



Scan the QR Code to register



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June 1, 2024

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Brochures are available at the Holy Spirit Parish Office.

For additional information, contact:  
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# Jeremiah Day

FOR BOYS IN GRADES 7-10

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024  
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The story of the prophet Jeremiah tells us that it is never too early to think about God's plan for us.

For boys (Grades 7-10) to enjoy a day to grow closer to God and visit a seminary. The activities include a tour of Mundelein Seminary, talks about how God calls us, recreation time and open gym, and Mass.



Highlight this QR code on your phone to sign up today!



Questions, or to have forms emailed to you, please send an email to vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org.

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## This Week's Meetings

### April 21—April 27, 2024

#### Sunday, April 21

12:30pm Adult Faith—Weddings & Beyond, Gathering Pl

#### Monday, April 22

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Multipurpose Rm  
2pm Bible Study-Core Team, Gathering Pl

#### Tuesday, April 23

7pm Adult Choir, Church

#### Wednesday, April 24

9:30am Bible Study-AM, Gathering Pl  
5pm Youth Choir, Church

#### Thursday, April 25

10am Gathered in Prayer, Chapel

#### Saturday, April 27

6:30am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Rm  
7am TMIY, Gathering Pl

See the parish website for all upcoming event information; [www.hscc.us](http://www.hscc.us)



## Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year at All Saints has been very robust. So many new families are seeking an excellent education that is grounded in our beautiful faith. While All Saints currently has waitlists at a number of grade levels, there are still openings just 'waiting' for your precious child to enroll.



As the current school year winds down, there is still time to take a personal tour, or to schedule a shadow opportunity for your incoming student. You can begin the inquiry process and find out more about enrollment at [ascacademy.org](http://ascacademy.org). Tour opportunities may be limited over the summer break due to upcoming campus projects.

Do you have a student who is at the beginning of their formal academic journey in kindergarten or 1<sup>st</sup> grade? In these formative years at All Saints, your student will learn, be challenged, and grow in knowledge and grace. They will build a firm foundation for now and the future.

Perhaps your student is preparing for the challenges of junior high? Grade five is a great year to make a change to ensure that they are well prepared for that all important transition. At All Saints, our average class size is 20 students per homeroom. Your student will be safe, known as an individual, and beloved.

Questions? Contact the school at (630) 961-6125, or fill out the inquiry form at [ascacademy.org](http://ascacademy.org) and we will contact you!



All Saints is a Diocese of Joliet regional Catholic elementary school established in 2005, and proudly affiliated with and supported by the following parishes: St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Margaret Mary, St. Thomas the Apostle, Our Lady of Mercy, and Holy Spirit Catholic Church. At All Saints, All Are Welcome!

**WELCOME**

Join us for a day of golfing fun and support a good cause!

The Director's Classic is the perfect opportunity to enjoy a round of golf with friends and family. Proceeds benefit the Saint Stephen Fund, which provides financial assistance for deacons in need. All are welcome!

**JOIN US**

- 10:30 AM REGISTRATION & DRIVING RANGE OPEN AT PRAIRIE BLUFF
- 11:15 AM LUNCH DISTRIBUTION, HEAD TO HOLES
- 11:30 AM SHOTGUN START
- 5 PM OPEN BAR, WINE PULL & RAFFLE AT BLANCHETTE CATHOLIC CENTER
- 6 PM DINNER & AWARDS CEREMONY
- 8 PM EVENT ENDS

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**June 19**  
**2024**  
**DIRECTOR'S CLASSIC**

**A day on the links**

Our golf event will begin at Prairie Bluff Public Golf Course in Crest Hill and will include a box lunch, a swag bag at registration, and a special gift for each golfer. The day of fellowship will continue into the evening with a reception, raffle, dinner, and awards presentation at the Blanchette Catholic Center in Crest Hill.

**GOLFERS & GUESTS**

**GOLFERS** \$150/person, \$500/foursome  
**GUESTS** \$30/person for dinner only

Mulligans are available for purchase during registration (see below). Awards will be given for lowest foursome score, hole-in-one, closest to the pin, and longest drive.

**SPONSORSHIP & UNDERWRITING**

Thank you for your generous support of the Director's Classic! See the event website for descriptions of sponsorship benefits.

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**REGISTRATION**

Scan the QR code or visit [vacations.diojnet.org](http://vacations.diojnet.org) for details and registration. Golf, dinner and sponsorship can be purchased online.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



# Parish Information

## Mass Schedule

### Weekdays:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday... 9am

### Weekend:

Saturday...4:30pm

Sunday...8am, 9:30am, and 11am

## Adoration

Tuesdays, following the 9am mass until 12 noon.

## Sacraments

### Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30pm -4:00pm

### Baptisms

12:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of each month unless otherwise noted

### Weddings

Please contact the parish office

## Parish Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday** 8am to 4:30pm

(closed 12noon-1pm)

**Friday** 8am to 1pm

## Parish Priests

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Interested in moving to electronic donation versus envelopes, and don't know where to start?

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- Donating Stock
- QR Code (one time or reoccurring offering)



*It is with grateful hearts, we thank you for your continued support of the parish.*

## Parish Stewardship

Monthly Offering	# of Donors	March-24
WeShare Online Giving	122	\$10,822
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	163	\$18,533
Envelopes & Loose Cash	211	\$54,728
<b>Total March Collection</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>\$84,083</b>

### Special Collections - March 2024

Catholic Relief Services	\$872
Mortgage Donations	\$4,927

HSCC Mortgage	Date	Balance
Original Mortgage Loan	1/1/2005	\$3,590,755
<b>Current Loan Balance</b>	<b>4/15/2024</b>	<b>\$204,738</b>

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