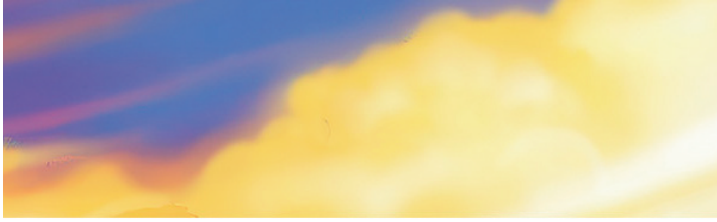


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THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND



Second Sunday of Advent December 7, 2025

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 PM daily.

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 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

Parish Staff

Fr. Marc Nkulu, SMA, Administrator
Fr. James Pallardy, Parochial Vicar
Sharon Hoffbeck, Business Manager
Jim Foxall, Parish Secretary

St. Paul

Deacon Larry Adams, Religious Education Coordinator
Laura Cody, Principal, St. Paul School

St. Rose of Lima

Briggett Phillips, Religious Education Coordinator

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St. Paul Catholic Church - Macomb, Illinois

Mass Intentions

St. Paul Church

Saturday, December 6

5:15 PM † Deceased Members of Women's Guild

Sunday, December 7

7:30 AM † Viola Shea

10:00 AM † Melissa Inman & Betty Cochenour

Monday, December 8

12:00 PM World Peace

5:15 PM All Missionaries

Tuesday, December 9

7:00 AM † James Aurelio

Wednesday, December 10

5:15 PM † John Kommendat

Thursday, December 11

9:00 AM † Leona Mast

Friday, December 12

9:15 AM † Blake Harris

5:15 PM † Ginny Derry

Saturday, December 13

5:15 PM † Shirley Pawlias

Sunday, December 14

7:30 AM † Marjorie John

10:00 AM † Jim Nixa

Let Us Pray For

The Following Parishioners and Friends:

Joe Zaehring, Kevin Payne, Janelle Butzow, Mary Aurelio, Roger Baucom, Rosemary Mendenhall, Catherine Brecken, Diana Powell, Bob Scott, John Moore, Mary Margaret Harris, Rose Scheetz, Cooper Hendrix, Jim Zahndt, Maureen Maheu, Kay Winkel, Jacqueline Martin and all those who are suffering and their caregivers.

Call Jim at the St. Hubert Parish office at (309) 833-2496 or email: churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com with prayer intentions.

Upcoming Birthdays

(for over 75 years of age)

December 7 Robert Williams

December 9 Blanche Wolfe

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, December 12

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Benediction at 5:00 PM

St. Paul Chapel

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Second Sunday of Advent

December 6 & 7, 2025

Gloria.....Not Sung

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

Entrance Hymn.....Come, Emmanuel, #62

Prep. of Gifts Hymn.....People, Look East, #43

Communion.....Maranatha, #68

Recessional.....On Jordan's Bank, #41

Church Decorating

Members of the Decorating Committee and Parish Council invite everyone to help decorate St. Paul Church beginning at 11:00 AM, after the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 21. Many hands make light work!

Sympathy

St. Paul Church extends our sympathy to Pat Heap and Barb Bloom and their family. Pat's husband & Barb's father, Bill Heap, recently passed away. May he rest in peace.

St. Paul Church extends our sympathy to Pat Garthaus and her family. Pat's sister, Karen Walton, recently passed away. May she rest in peace.

Special Delivery to Our Parish Homebound

Christmas bags with the names of our 28 homebound and nursing home parishioners will be available in the narthex beginning December 6. Please feel free to drop a Christmas card or holiday note into any of the bags. The bags will remain out until after the 7:30 AM Mass on Sunday, December 21, when they will be delivered. This is a simple way to remember our friends this Christmas.

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 (sadams2@wiu.edu). Come for the fellowship and a doughnut.

Food for Finals at the Newman Center

Volunteers are needed to help provide lunch meals for WIU students on Wednesday, Dec. 17, from 11:00 AM–2:00 PM. Please supply “grab and go” desserts or snack mixes (cookies, brownies, bars, snack mixes, etc.) that can be easily packaged in sandwich bags. Avoid frosted or refrigerated items. Donations may be dropped off at the Newman Center on Sun., Dec. 14 (11:30 AM–1:00 PM) or Mon., Dec. 15 (10:00 AM–12:00 PM).



Calling Young Singers for Christmas Eve

Children ages 6 and up are invited to sing simple carols before the 5:30 PM Christmas Eve Mass. Music and practice recordings will be provided to families, and there will be one group rehearsal. To participate, email benda@comcast.net with your child's name, age, and a phone number for text messages. Questions may be directed to Mary Kay Benda at 309-333-2468.

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church - Rushville, Illinois

Mass Intentions

St. Rose Church

Saturday, December 6

5:00 PM † Karea Ormond

Sunday, December 7

8:00 AM The Sullivan Families

Wednesday, December 10

8:30 AM † Larry Lee

Saturday, December 13

5:00 PM † Tom Duesterhaus

Sunday, December 14

8:00 AM † Janet Yakle

Lector Schedule

November *Lectors*

Saturday Mark Thompson

Sunday Theresa Korsmeyer

December *Lectors*

Saturday Tim Kettering

Sunday Linda Butler

Weekday Mass Reminder

Weekday Mass will be held on **Wednesday, December 10** with Adoration at 8:00 AM, Mass at 8:30 AM, then coffee club at 9:00 AM.



Call Jane Schneider at (217) 216-0041, the St. Hubert Parish Office at (309) 833-2496, or email churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com with prayer intentions.

*Justice shall flourish
in his time, and fullness
of peace for ever.*

Let Us Pray For

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

Faye Henricks for MS (friends)

Cathy Campbell Green for MS (Dave & Barb Rowland)

Markus Schneider for NF2 (family)

Regina Ehrhardt for health issues (friends)

Diana Pleviak for health issues (friends)

Joanne Ballow for health issues (Theresa Korsmeyer)

Eileen King for health issues (Kelly Stinson)

Upcoming Birthdays

December 7 Karina Usiak

December 9 Alexandra Kettering

ADVENT

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WORDSEARCH

MARY	JOSEPH	REJOICE
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JESUS	WREATH	EMMANUEL
ADVENT	BELIEVE	GOODNEWS
CANDLE		ISRAEL

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Upcoming Events



St. Paul Church

Tuesday, December 9

8:00 AM Women in Faith.....St. Paul
6:00 PM OCIA.....St. Paul

Wednesday, December 10

9:00 AM Bible Study.....St. Paul
6:00 PM Bible Study.....St. Paul
6:00 PM First Reconciliation Class.....St. Paul

Friday, December 12

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, December 10

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

St. Francis of Assisi Newman Center

Sunday, December 7

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

Tuesday, December 9

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

Thursday, December 11

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

Immaculate Conception of Mary

Holy Day Of Obligation

St. Paul Church

Monday, December 8

12:00 PM.....St. Paul
5:15 PM.....St. Paul

St. Rose Church

Monday, December 8

5:00 PM.....St. Rose

St. Hubert Parish Hall – Artist's Rendering



Lessons & Carols at St. Paul Church

Join us for a traditional Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, Dec. 14 at 4:00 PM. This service weaves together Scripture, carols, and prayer, reflecting on the Fall, the promise of the Messiah, and the joy of Christ's birth.

The St. Paul Women's Guild invites the parish and community to this beautiful hour of music and reflection. Light refreshments and fellowship will follow in the narthex. All are welcome.

Toys for Tots Collection

St. Paul will be collecting Toys for Tots at all Masses on December 13 and 14. New, unwrapped toys are appreciated. Thank you for helping bring Christmas joy to children in need.



Our Stewardship

St. Hubert Parish

Fiscal YTD needed (7/1/25-11/30/25).....\$202,422.00

Offertory Received Fiscal YTD\$171,053.00

Offertory Needed Each Week\$9,201.00

St. Paul

Offertory (11/24-11/30/2025)\$6920.00

Online Giving\$3296.00

Roof Fund\$43.00

Building Fund\$703.00

Cemetery Fund\$0.00

St. Rose

Offering.....\$1,163.00

Online Giving.....\$370.00

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 <http://strosrushville.com> or at <http://stpaulmacomb.com/church> to get started today. You can set up and manage your account at **ONLINE GIVING at St.**

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Envelope Collection

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

2025 St. Hubert Annual Diocesan Appeal

Goal.....\$86,888.00

Pledged.....\$70,575.00

Collected.....\$57,082.00

As of 10/31/2025

Scheduling Requests

Time to submit weekend scheduling requests for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Cantors, Servers & Ushers for the Jan–Feb 2026 cycle. For special requests, use the Ministry Scheduler Pro website to enter availability. Requests due Monday, Dec. 22, 2025. New schedules online by Dec. 24, 2025.

The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is up with cards available for those who wish to share Christmas blessings with parish families. Each envelope includes instructions. Simply place your donation inside, write your information on the outside, seal it, and drop it in the collection by Sunday, December 14. Please make checks payable to St. Hubert, noting "Giving Tree." Your generosity helps brighten Christmas for our parish families.

Second Sunday of Advent

Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 8

Monday Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gen 3:9-15, 20
Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday

Is 40:1-11
Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday

Is 40:25-31
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday

Is 41:13-20
Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab
Mt 11:11-15

Friday

Zech 2:14-17 or Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
Judith 13:18bcde, 19
Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11
Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19
Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday Third Sunday of Advent

Is 35:1-6a, 10
Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
Jas 5:7-10
Mt 11:2-11

The Word in our Lives

Gifts of the Spirit

The reading from the prophet Isaiah is a very hopeful description of the Messiah. And part of that description in verses 2-3 contains the traditional seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of the Messiah, and looking forward to His coming in glory, let's take a look at those gifts and see how we can use them.

Wisdom is first and it is not a matter of tossing out proverbial quotes. This wisdom is the gift of seeing God in his creation. It means that we value the things of this world only as they help us to know and love God more.

The second gift, Understanding, follows from Wisdom: as we appreciate God in His creation, we understand what God expects of us in dealing with creation and other people. This gift helps us to know how to act in a world that seems to ignore God.

Counsel follows from Understanding as the gift of making correct judgments on how to act, how to follow those commands of God. For example, Understanding can lead us to love others. Counsel guides us to love them in appropriate ways.

Strength or fortitude, is the gift that enables us to do those things inspired by understanding and counsel, even if they are difficult. John the Baptist shows that gift in the gospel, when he challenges the Pharisees. It gave him the courage to die for his faith.

Knowledge is similar to counsel (knowing how to act) in that we begin to see what God wants for us in this world. It includes an understanding of Scriptures and how God's Word applies to our lives. Knowledge leads us to deeper revelations of the truths of our faith. This can lead to the sixth gift (seventh in Isaiah's text: "delight in the Lord") of Piety. This is a willingness to worship and love God, a desire to be close to Him in prayer. Piety leads us to totally rely on God and humbly ask his help.

The final gift, Fear of the Lord, is more than just being afraid: It is the awe and wonder of recognizing how great God is, how much he loves us, and so how much we want to stay close to Him. The desire to be close to God leads back to Wisdom, where we see God in his creation.

-Tom Schmidt

Titles of Mary

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Patroness of the Americas, appeared to native American Juan Diego in 1531, requesting that a church be built on the spot. When the bishop asked for a sign confirming the authenticity of the apparition, she responded by producing roses in December for Juan Diego to gather, and left an image of herself imprinted on Juan Diego's tilma or mantle.

Treasures From Our Tradition

"Outward signs instituted by Christ to give grace" is the often memorized definition of sacrament, but through more than five decades of reform we have rediscovered the power of sacrament to bestow grace by reshaping our lives as individuals and communities. Not so long ago, most people were not attentive to the nature of sacrament as an act of the Church, a power that flows from the Body of Christ. Fifty years ago, we were inclined to see a sacrament as an encounter between Christ and an individual.

Today, we see that definition does not go far enough. God's grace is not a trickle, but a gushing torrent washing over the whole Church. Like a photographer pulling back the camera for a broader picture, today we are not only interested in the person who is being baptized, reconciled, or anointed. We think about how celebrating a sacrament transforms a community. We think about the grace given by Christ to the community that baptizes or marries or ordains or confirms. Sacraments are for the good of the community. Even when it appears to be a private, hidden moment, as in individual confession, a sacrament is always for the sake of the whole body, always more than "meets the eye."

-Rev. James Field

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