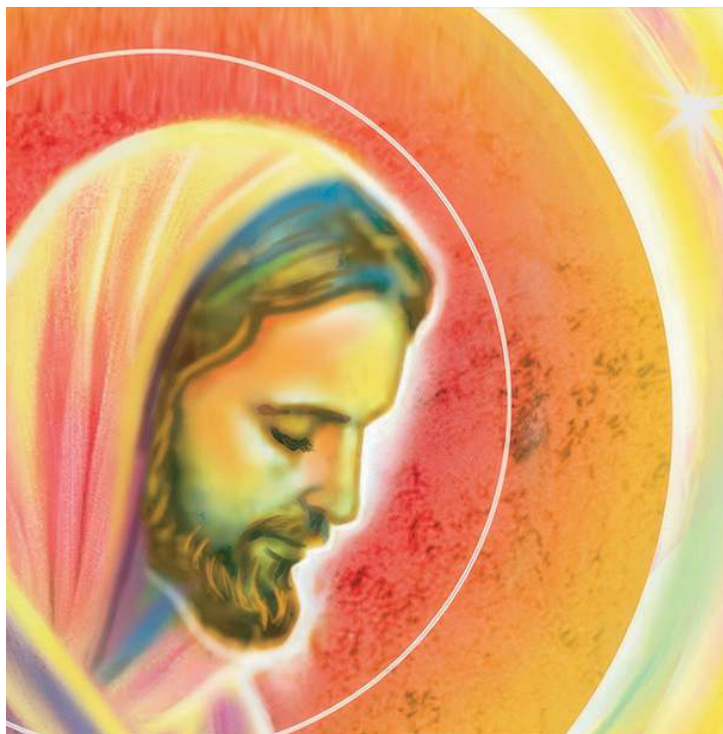


St. Hubert Parish - Diocese of Peoria



The Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 15, 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.

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

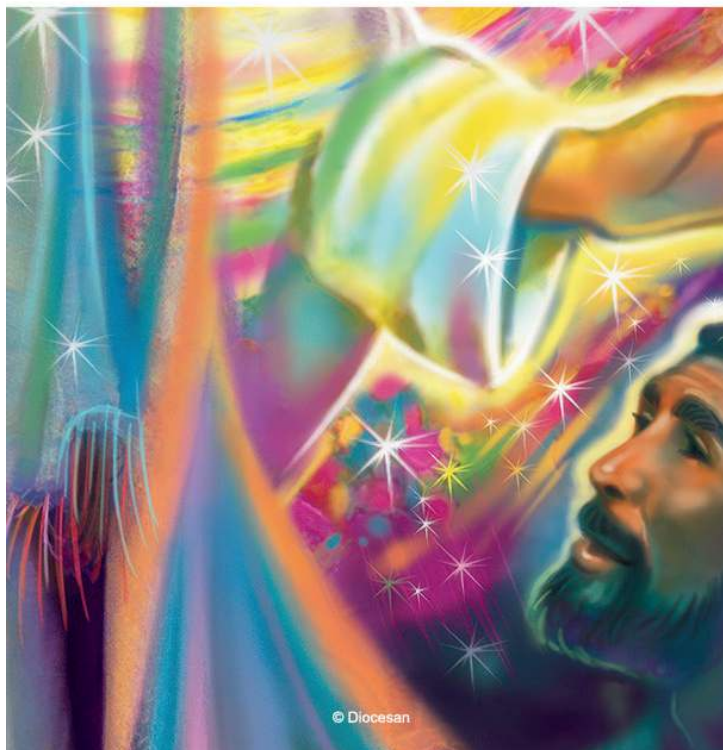
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Fr. James Pallardy, Parochial Vicar
Sharon Hoffbeck, Business Manager
Jim Foxall, Parish Secretary

St. Paul

Deacon Larry Adams, Religious Education Coordinator
Laura Cody, Principal, St. Paul School
Mary K. Benda, Music Director

I WAS BLIND
AND NOW I SEE



St. Paul Catholic Church - Macomb, Illinois

Mass Intentions

St. Paul Church

Saturday, March 14

5:15 PM † Jonelle Schauble

Sunday, March 15

7:30 AM † Dan Lawrence

10:00 AM † Jim Nixa

Monday, March 16

5:15 PM All Farmers, Ranchers & Their Safety

Tuesday, March 17

7:00 AM † Danny Foxall

Wednesday, March 18

12:00 PM † Dolores Pircon

Thursday, March 19

7:00 AM † Departed Members of Rauschert Family

Friday, March 20

9:15 AM † Sr. Mary Maria Goretti

5:15 PM World Peace

Saturday, March 21

5:15 PM † Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council #682

Sunday, March 22

7:30 AM † Alex Pretti & Renee Good

10:00 AM † Jim Nixa

Mass Intentions

What greater tribute to a loved one than to have a Mass offered in their honor or memory? Envelopes are available at both churches; include the name, intention, and \$10 donation, and place it in the collection basket or contact the parish office. At St. Paul, see Jim Foxall; at St. Rose, see Marilyn Sillars, Linda Butler, or Fr. Marc. For either church, call (309) 833-2496.

Let Us Pray For

The Following Parishioners and Friends:

Joe Zaehringer, Kevin Payne, Janelle Butzow, Kathleen Markey, Roger Baucom, Rosemary Mendenhall, Catherine Brecken, Diana Powell, Bob Scott, John Moore, Mary Harris, Rose Scheetz, Cooper Hendrix, Jim Zahrndt, Maureen Maheu, Kay Winkel, Jacqueline Martin, Patricia Heap, John Lafferty, Rosemary Lynn, Monica Wolf, Ron Ruebush, Mark Mossman, all those who are suffering & their caregivers.

Upcoming Birthdays

(for over 75 years of age)

March 17 Paul Wilson

March 17 Gene Curtis

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, March 20

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Benediction at 5:00 PM

St. Paul Chapel

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14 & 15, 2026

Mass.....Chant Mass

Entrance.....What Wondrous Love Is This, #400

Prep. of Gifts.....Amazing Grace, #447

Communion.....O Sacrament Most Holy, #343

Recessional.....City of God, #382

Stations of the Cross

Join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at **1:30 PM**. All are welcome.

Lenten Taizé Prayer

Join us for Taizé prayer at St. Paul Church on Wednesdays, continuing through March 25. Services begin at 5:15 PM and last about 30 minutes. Taizé includes simple meditative song, Scripture, and silence, centered on peace, reconciliation, and God's presence. All are welcome.

Decorate a Table

Sign-up for the Women's Guild Decorate a Table is now open in the narthex. Please consider hosting a table at this event on **Sunday, April 26**. You can take an information packet or contact a Guild member with any questions.

Thank You, Guardian Angel Donors

Your generosity supports our tuition assistance program and helps St. Paul School continue to Raise Saints. Have you considered turning your yearly gift into a monthly recurring donation? It's easy—simply scan the code and follow the prompts. For questions, please contact Development Coordinator, Theresa Young at tyoung@spaulmacomb.com.



St. Paul Church Choir

The choir will rehearse on Sunday, March 29 at 9:30 AM and will sing Prelude before the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, March 29. It is never too late to join the choir. For more information, please contact terry.hostert@gmail.com

Please Support Loaves & Fishes

Serving 400 families each month, Loaves & Fishes spends about \$15,000 monthly on groceries for those in need in McDonough County. Open Tuesdays, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM & 2:00–4:00 PM. Please consider supporting this ministry. Donations may be sent to:

Loaves & Fishes, PO Box 9, Macomb, IL 61455

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church - Rushville, Illinois

Mass Intentions

St. Rose Church

Saturday, March 14

5:00 PM † Dixie Shepherd

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM No Mass Intention

Wednesday, March 18

8:30 AM No Mass Intention

Saturday, March 21

5:00 PM † Jeff & Angie Langner

Sunday, March 22

8:00 AM † Joe Koch

Mass Intentions Needed for St. Rose

We are in need of Mass intentions at St. Rose of Lima. If you would like to schedule a Mass, please contact Marilyn Sillars, Linda Butler, or Fr. Marc, the St. Hubert Parish Office at **(309) 833-2496**, or email churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com with intentions.

Lector Schedule

March Lectors

Saturday Linda Butler

Sunday Schuyler Isley

April Lectors

Saturday Mark Thompson

Sunday Theresa Korsmeyer

Stations of the Cross

Join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at **5:00 PM**. All are welcome.

Weekday Mass Reminder

Weekday Mass will be held on **Wednesday, March 18**, with Adoration at 8:00 AM, Mass at 8:30 AM, then Coffee Club at 9:00 AM.

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)

Rick Phillips (Lori Thompson)

Upcoming Birthdays

March 16 Parker Hill

March 18 Sr. Jean Patrick Ehrhardt



Call Bridget Phillips, at **(815) 560-2521**, the St. Hubert Parish Office at **(309) 833-2496**, or email churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com with CCD questions.

4th Sunday of Lent

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Blind Rabbi Works Visible Clay
Eyes Wash Anointed Sight Believe

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Upcoming Events



St. Paul Church

Tuesday, March 17

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

Wednesday, March 18

10:00 AM Bible Study.....St. Paul
6:00 PM Bible Study.....St. Paul

Friday, March 20

6:00 AM That Man is You.....St. Paul
9:15 AM School Mass.....St. Paul
10:00 AM Adoration.....St. Paul
1:30 PM Stations of the Cross.....St. Paul
4:30 PM K of C Fish Fry.....St. Paul
5:15 PM Mass.....St. Paul

St. Rose Church

Wednesday, March 18

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

Friday, March 20

5:00 PM Stations of the Cross.....St. Rose

St. Francis of Assisi Newman Center

Sunday, March 15

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

Tuesday, March 17

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

Thursday, March 19

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

40 Hours for the Lord

St. Hubert Parish will offer 40 Hours for the Lord at the St. Francis of Assisi Newman Center from **March 26–28, 2026**, beginning with Mass at 7:00 PM on Thursday & concluding with Benediction and Mass at 11:00 AM on Saturday, followed by lunch. We need your help to fill these 40 hours of blessing!

Pilgrimage to Wisconsin Shrines

Celebrate Catholic Spirit Radio's 15th Anniversary with a pilgrimage to the National Shrines of Wisconsin, **August 10–12, 2026**. An Early Bird discount is available through April 15, 2026, and the registration deadline is May 31, 2026. See the insert for full details.

Trades Scholarships

San Damiano College for the Trades (Springfield) is offering five \$5,000 scholarships for incoming freshmen for Fall 2026. These scholarships are available to students who reside in a Tracy Family Foundation county. For more information or to schedule a campus visit, contact Joanne Gaston at jgaston@sandamianotrades.org

Charitable Contributions Report

If you are in need of a tax receipt for your regular offertory or building fund donations, please call the office at (309) 833-2496 or leave a message on the answering machine. You can also email your request to: churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com. A canceled check may be used unless the amount of a single check is over \$250; in that case, you will need a receipt.



Our Stewardship

St. Hubert Parish

Fiscal YTD needed (7/1/25-3/8/26).....\$331,236.00
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Offertory Needed Each Week\$9,201.00

St. Paul

Offertory (3/2/26-3/8/26)\$3,623.00
Online Giving\$3,769.00
Roof Fund\$6.00
Building Fund\$280.00
Cemetery Fund\$50.00

St. Rose

Offering.....\$1,037.00
Online Giving.....\$185.00

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.

2025 St. Hubert Annual Diocesan Appeal

Goal.....\$86,888.00
Pledged.....\$93,895.00
Collected.....\$87,122.50

As of 1/31/2026

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Every Friday of Lent **4:30 to 6:30 PM**. Dine-in, carry-out, online order at the St. Paul School gym.

(<https://knights-of-columbus-682.square.site>)

FORMED – Free Access

Our parish provides free access to FORMED for Catholic movies, programs, and studies. For simple sign-up directions, visit:

<https://stpaulmacomb.com/church/our-faith/formed/>

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 16

Monday

Is 65:17-21
Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b
Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12
Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

Is 49:8-15
Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29
Rm 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22
Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

Jer 11:18-20
Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12
Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14
Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Rm 8:8-11
Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Treasures From Our Tradition

Centuries ago, these Lenten days were a time of intense final preparation for the candidates for baptism. By now, they had already been numbered among the “elect” for Easter baptism, and were daily challenged to excel in prayer, in fasting, and in works of charity. As is true today, at a certain point in the weekly assembly for Eucharist, the nonbaptized were dismissed from the assembly for their own learning and prayer. While they might have had impressions about the Eucharist, they had no direct experience. The rites of the church were secret and its worship places off-limits.

For the Easter Vigil, those to be baptized arrived very hungry from long fasting, and perhaps very apprehensive as to how initiation was to be accomplished. A long night of vigil and storytelling, a shimmering pool of baptism, the anointing with oil and clothing with white robes came as something of a surprise. At the end of a long, life-changing night of embrace by Christ and the community, as the eucharistic feast ended, a final surprise was brought forward. **(continued on next column)**

Treasures From Our Tradition (continued)

To address the deep hunger of the newly baptized, the church offered a bowl of milk and honey, sign of promises fulfilled, sign of community, prosperity, and peace, and yet another foretaste of heaven’s banquet.

-Rev. James Field

The Word in our Lives

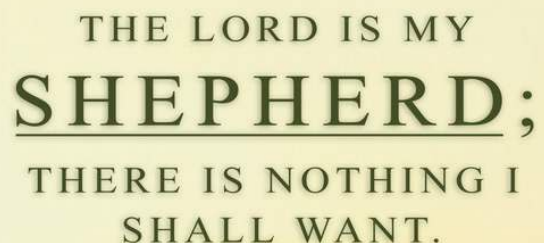
Beware of the Dark Side

Do you remember the Star Wars movies, in which the Dark Side was a symbol of evil? In our second reading Paul tells the Christians in Ephesus that they were once in darkness. Paul uses darkness as a symbol of shame. Shame is not just sorrow for sins; it is the fear of being caught in sin, or of telling our weaknesses to another because we think the other will look down on us. Or you might fear the punishment you think you deserve. Paul was a sinner himself and was blinded when Jesus appeared to him, asking, “Why do you persecute me?” So he knew that the only way to be free of shame is not to hide sins, but to expose them.

Does that mean we have to broadcast our sins on the evening news, or post them all on our social media pages? No; we just need to confess them to God and receive God’s forgiveness. We can do this through the sacrament of reconciliation. The priest shows that God loves sinners, no matter what they have done. When you injure your arm, you explain how you hurt it, so the doctor knows how to treat it. If you wreck your car, you take it to the repair shop and tell the mechanics what is broken so they can repair it. In reconciliation we bring our sins to the priest so that we can experience forgiveness. You could leave your car at the shop overnight, with enough cash to make the repairs, but until you come back and claim your car, you will never know if it was fixed.

Sometimes other people try to shame us. In today’s Gospel, Jesus’ disciples asked whose sin caused the man to be born blind. The Pharisees told the man that he was born in sin. Jesus, however, told his disciples that the man had not sinned, and furthermore, the Pharisees themselves were the sinners because they had judged the blind man. So when we know that God forgives us and still loves us, we don’t have to fear what others might think. Let us instead hold our sins up to the light of forgiveness and be free of our shame.

-Tom Schmidt



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