



PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sunday,
June 28th, 2026**

Our Mission

United in the sacraments as the Body of Christ, we the members of Prince of Peace Catholic Parish extend the welcoming arms of Jesus, opening the world to God's presence through works of love, hospitality, mercy, and prayer.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Thursdays 5 p.m.—6 p.m.

Saturdays 11 a.m. —12 p.m.

or contact the Parish Office 308-236-9171

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays 8 a.m.—Midnight

Fridays 8 a.m.—5 p.m.

FR. SCOTT HARTER

Fr. Scott Harter was ordained a priest in 2014 and became pastor of Prince of Peace in 2025.

FR. LAWRENCE KAWAGGA

Fr. Lawrence Kawagga was ordained a priest in 2024 and became associate pastor of Prince of Peace in 2025.

They are assisted by **Deacon Tom Martin**
and **Deacon Ron Ridder**.

GOD

BLESS & KEEP OUR NATION

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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Summer Camp

July 13-17
9am-3pm

For students entering 1st-6th grade in the 26-27 school year

Register by calling or stopping into the parish office or email Amy Lowe at faithformation@kearneyprinceofpeace.org
Camp Fees: \$50.00 1st child; \$50.00 2nd child; \$25.00 any additional child

Martha's Ministry



Serve those who serve us by supporting our parish priests with weekday meals.

For more information, contact the office or sign up today.

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Fourth Sunday Food Trucks



Following 10:30 am Mass
May - September

\$\$ Food prices set by vendors \$\$

Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY, JUNE 29 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM STEVE CORAM †

TUESDAY, JUNE 30 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM BISHOP HANEFELDT & PRIESTS OF THE G.I. DIOCESE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM SEMINARIANS OF THE G.I. DIOCESE

**10:00 MASS AT KINSHIP POINTE (NORTHRIDGE) FOR THE LUNGRIN FAMILY

THURSDAY, JULY 2 | MASS 12:05 PM

12:05 PM STEVEN B. CORAM †

FRIDAY, JULY 3 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM MERLE LESSIG †

SATURDAY, JULY 4 | MASS 8:00 AM | 5:00 PM

8:00 AM STEVE CORAM †

5:00 PM DAN GITT †



SUNDAY, JULY 5 | MASS 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

8:00 AM STEVE CORAM †

10:30 AM PRINCE OF PEACE PARISHIONERS



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE PRAYING THE ROSARY FOLLOWING MASSES THIS WEEKEND. ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THEM.

Readings for the week of June 28th

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc- 17/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/
Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

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Pope Leo XIV's intention for the month of June:
For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Birthday Blessings:

- Jeanne Ross is celebrating her 90th Birthday on July 11!
- Iris Bicak is celebrating her 102nd birthday on June 30th. Please celebrate her with a card shower by mailing cards to 412 W 18th St. #102 Kearney, NE 68845

Prayers for Healing:

- Emily Brachle Taya Moseley Barry Jeffs
 Bob Buettner Siena Bonk
 Craig Ostermeyer (friend of the parish)
 Heather Edwards (daughter of Roger & Judy Walker)
 Carolyn (Ray) Menke (Sister-in-law of Carolyn Menke)
 Bob Homan (Brother of Barb Oberg, Uncle of Ben & Steve Homan)
 Francis Dickerson (Relative of Marge Gardner)

And all others in need of prayer.

Please call the parish office if you have someone in need of prayer. Names will remain for approximately four weeks. Please call the office if you would like a name to remain on the list for longer.



Ministry to the Homebound: If you, a relative, or a friend are hospitalized or shut-in (short or long term) please let us know by calling the parish office at (308) 236-9171.



If you, or someone you know, have an upcoming milestone birthday or anniversary that you would like to have posted in the bulletin, please contact the parish office.

June Budget \$84,400.00 2025-2026 Weekly Budget \$21,100.00	Sunday, June 7, 2026	\$18,799.70
	Sunday, June 14, 2026	\$12,971.28
	Sunday, June 21, 2026	\$19,092.52
	Sunday, June 28, 2026	
	June to Date	\$50,863.50

June under budget (33,536.50)

The Budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year is available on the parish website, on the Stewardship page. For additional details, please contact Cecilia at the parish office.

This Week

Monday, June 29, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 1:00 p.m. The Four Last Things Mini Study
- 2:00 p.m. Food Pantry

Tuesday, June 30, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, July 1, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 10:00 a.m. Mass at Kinship Pointe

Thursday, July 2, 2026

- 12:05 p.m. Mass
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Confessions
- 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary

Friday, July 3, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, July 4, 2026

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 11:00 a.m.-12 p.m. Confessions
- 5:00 p.m. Mass



Sunday, July 5, 2026

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:30 a.m. Mass



Diocesan Appeal October 2025-September 2026
 Parish Goal: \$91,551 Total Raised: \$73,237
 Household Participation Goal: 200
 Current Households: 179

Second Sunday Sweets



Join us the second weekend of every month after all Masses

Cookies on Saturday • Donuts on Sunday



DEACON TOM'S THEOLOGY CLASS

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Come join us on Sundays at 9:30 AM starting July 12th



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We will be reading *Interior Freedom* by Jacques Philippe, starting July 12 at 9:30 in the lower level. Read the introduction and pages 11-21 for the first class. *Interior Freedom* leads one to discover that even in the most difficult circumstances, we possess within ourselves a space of freedom that nobody can take away, because God is its source. Without this discovery we will always be restricted in some way and will never taste true happiness.

Jacques Philippe develops a simple but important theme: we gain possession of our interior freedom in exact proportion to our growth in faith, hope, and love. He explains that the dynamism between these three theological virtues is the heart of the spiritual life.

Tickets for the Mass of Beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, as well as many of the events surrounding this historic celebration will become available during the week of June 22 through the Archbishop Fulton Sheen Foundation website at celebratesheen.com. The Mass of Beatification will take place on September 24, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. at The Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri. From September 15-26, 2026, pilgrims will have the opportunity to participate in a rich series of prayerful, educational, and celebratory events.



Kearney Catholic is looking for activity bus drivers.

KCHS will pay for any required training to obtain a School Bus CDL license. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a driver, please contact Matt Rogers at matt.rogers@kearneycatholic.org for more information and licensing requirements.



Watchmen Rosary Group

The Watchmen Rosary group at St. James meets each Tuesday evening throughout the Summer at 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in the Emmaus Room at St. James. Everyone (that is men and/or women and/or children and/or service animals) are welcome to join us. The more, the holier.



The Legion of Mary Movement meets weekly at 7:00 PM on Thursdays in the social hall of Prince of Peace. We invite you to join us in praying the Rosary together. Bring your children, friends, and family.

Compass will be hosting a Foster Parent & Respite Info Night on Thursday July 2nd from 7pm-8pm. This is a great opportunity for individuals or families to learn more about foster care, respite care, and ways they can support children and families in our community. There is no pressure or commitment involved, simply an opportunity to learn, ask questions, and explore how they may be able to make a difference. compassnebraska.org (308) 237-4085 info@COMPASSnebraska.org



ARE STATUES A FORM OF IDOLATRY?

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You may have asked yourself if having a statue of Mary or any other Saint is idolatry; or you may have heard someone say that Catholics worship idols.

The truth is the Catholic Church does not worship idols.

In Deuteronomy, God warns the Israelites against fashioning an idol to represent any figure, whether it be the form of a man or of a woman, or of other creatures. (Deut. 4:15-18) We must note however, that as the rest of the commandment makes clear, God has forbidden only the making of such images with the intention of worshiping them, as the pagans did. He has by no means banned the creation of all religious images.

On the contrary, the Lord instructed the Israelites to store those same commandments, carved in stone, inside a sacred container (ark). The ark was to be decorated with golden images of angelic beings called cherubim. (Ex 25:10) He also ordered the people to decorate the places they were sent, with images of animals and plants, out of gold, bronze and wood. (Ex. 25:33-36; 26:17-18; 1 Kgs. 6:23-7:51; 2 Chr. 3:10-4:22)

King Solomon decorated the temple of the Lord with images and then, after the completion of the temple, God declared he was pleased with its construction. (1 Kgs. 9:3) Didn't God know what King Solomon had done? Such images are an aid to remembering and honoring our Lord, his mother, the Saints and the angels. Catholics do not worship religious images, even when Catholics kneel to pray before a statue, or burn candles or place flowers in front of it. They are simply expressing love and honor for the person represented by the statue.

Think of how most people display photos of their loved ones in their homes and workplaces or carry them in person. Occasionally they might even kiss a photo. When they do, are they worshiping these images? Of course not! The affection they show to the photos is actually aimed at those who are shown in the photo.

JESUS IS THE REASON: Jesus Christ himself gives us the ultimate example of the value of statues and icons. Christ, in his humanity, has opened up an entirely new economy of iconography and statuary. Christ becomes for us the ultimate reason for all representations of the angels and saints. Why do we say this? Colossians 1:15 tells us Christ is, "The image (icon) of the invisible God." Christ is the ultimate icon! And what does this icon reveal to us? He reveals God the Father. When Jesus said, "He who has seen me has seen the Father," in John 14:9, he does not mean that he is the Father. He isn't. He's the son. Hebrews 1:3 tells us Christ, "reflects the glory of God and bears the very stamp of his nature." That is the essence of what statues and icons are. Just as "the word became flesh" (John 1:14) and revealed the Father to us in a manner beyond the imaginings of men before the advent of Christ, representations of God's holy angels and saints are also icons of Christ who by their heroic virtue, "reflect the glory of God," as well.

Does the veneration of Saints and angels in this way "steal" God's honor in any way? No. They are his handiwork! (Eph 2:10). Our praise of masterpieces redounds to the glory of the artist who created them.

Last, consider this: if we cherish the memory of statesmen, war heroes, and even sports celebrities like Messi, Ronaldo, Pele, etc., and make statues of them, then how can anyone object to honoring the heroes of our faith? (Sirach: 44:1-15).

-Fr. Lawrence Kawagga (lkawagga@gidiocese.org)

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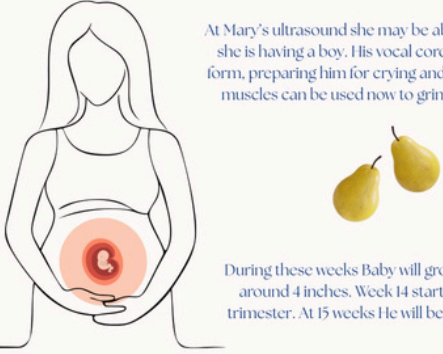
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Mary's Journey - Theotokos

Mary's Pregnancy in weeks 13-15.



At Mary's ultrasound she may be able to find out that she is having a boy. His vocal cords are starting to form, preparing him for crying and cooing. His facial muscles can be used now to grimace and smile.

During these weeks Baby will grow from 3 inches to around 4 inches. Week 14 starts Mary's second trimester. At 15 weeks He will be the size of a pear.

Mary may start feeling less nauseous, find it hard to remember things, or easily catch a cold or infection. She also may be starting to show she is pregnant.

Keeping track of things on a calendar or phone can help Mary stay organized and less forgetful. Carrying hand sanitizer and washing her hands often will help her stay healthy.

Walking with Moms in Need



Gianna Molla Ministry:

Providing meals to mothers of newborns. If you'd like to volunteer to bring a meal or know of a new mother who could use some meals, please contact Tessa Donohue at (308) 440-6095.



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 Dr. Kyle & Julie Myers
juliepmyers@gmail.com

July 4/5	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Greeters	Jerry Brown <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Larry Wheeler <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Patrick Halpin Nancy Stritt
Servers	Jacob Shuda Kellen Shuda <i>Needs to be filled</i> <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Parker Welch <i>Needs to be filled</i> <i>Needs to be filled</i> <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Declan Donohue Adam Binderup Jack Binderup Grady Thome Teddy Berrier
Gift Bearer	<i>Needs to be filled</i>	Stephen Friesell	Sean Donohue
Lector	Paul O'Neill	Bill Gilbreath	Amy Lowe
Eucharistic Minister	Brian Vinton Kelli Teahon Michael Teahon Cathy Emrick Judy Walker Larry Castillo Le Spencer	Mike Labun Shirley Gilbreath Bill Gilbreath Gracie Triplett Deb Straka Carrie Rasmussen Bill Wright	Paul Mueting Ken Vyvlecka John Ostermann Amy Johnson Adam Schapmann Joni Ritchie Sara Homan
Sound	<i>Needs to be filled</i>	Jacob Solomon	<i>Needs to be filled</i>
Livestreaming			
Coordinator	Kathy White	Valerie Fredericksen	Amy Johnson
Sacristan	Brian Vinton	Mike Labun	Brian Lowe
Homebound		Rt 1 Bill Wright Rt 2 Diane Stevens Rt 3 Greg Welch Rt 4 Leroy Korus Rt 5 Pat Trausch Rt 6 Lily Solomon	

DISCERE RETREAT

SATURDAY JULY 25, 2026

10:00AM - 3:00PM



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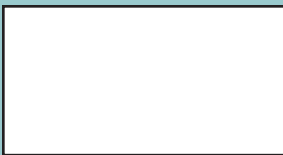


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