



PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sunday,
July 12th, 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**.



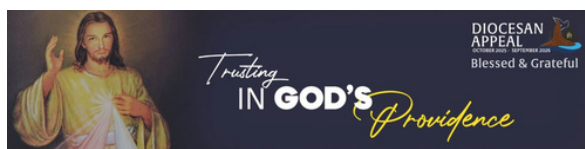
15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.” - Mt 13:23

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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Diocesan Appeal October 2025-September 2026

Parish Goal: \$91,551 Total Raised: \$74,407
Household Participation Goal: 200
Current Households: 180

Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY, JULY 13 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM MARY ANN SCHINZEL †

TUESDAY, JULY 14 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM LEE WEATHERWAX †

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM STEVEN B. CORAM †

*10:00 MASS AT BROOKESTONE GARDENS FOR PHYLLIS HANNAPPEL †

THURSDAY, JULY 16 | MASS 12:05 PM

12:05 PM DAN & TERESA SORENSEN (In honor of their anniversary)

FRIDAY, JULY 17 | MASS 7:30 AM

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

SATURDAY, JULY 18 | MASS 8:00 AM | 5:00 PM

8:00 AM LEE WEATHERWAX †

5:00 PM ANDREA LOWE †

SUNDAY, JULY 19 | MASS 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

8:00 AM PRINCE OF PEACE PARISHIONERS

10:30 AM RITA HOWE †

IT'S SUMMER CAMP WEEK!

Childrens' Masses at 11:15 a.m. on

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday! Feel

free to join the camp kids for Mass.

Readings for the Week of July 12th, 2026

Sunday: Zls 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

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Pope Leo XIV's intention
for the month of July:
*For the respect of
human life*

Let us pray for the respect and
protection of human life in all its stages,
recognizing it as a gift from God.

Recently Baptized:

Lucy Violet Wecker, Child of Matthew and Abbie Wecker
Nora Elizabeth Donohue, Child of Kevin and Tana Donohue

Recent Weddings:

Justin Barenberg & Makayla Brockhaus

Prayers for Healing:

Emily Brachle	Taya Moseley	Barry Jeffs	Georgia Unrein
Bob Buettner	Siena Bonk	Kim Buschkoetter	Le Spencer
Paul Muetting			
Ryan McCracken	(brother of Dana Kaslon)		
Janean McCracken	(mother of Dana Kaslon)		
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.

July Budget \$90,000.00 2025-2026 Weekly Budget \$22,500.00	Sunday, July 5, 2026	\$20,547.31
	Sunday, July 12, 2026	
	Sunday, July 19, 2026	
	Sunday, July 26, 2026	
	July to Date	\$20,547.31

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.



Monday, July 13, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Summer Camp
- 11:15 a.m. Childrens' Mass
- 2:00 p.m. Food Pantry
- 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus
- 7:00 p.m. Ultreya

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Summer Camp
- 11:15 a.m. Childrens' Rosary & Adoration

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Summer Camp
- 10:00 a.m. Mass at Brookstone Gardens
- 11:15 a.m. Childrens' Mass

Thursday, July 16, 2026

- 8:00 a.m.-Midnight Adoration
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Summer Camp
- 11:15 a.m. Childrens' Rosary & Adoration
- 12:05 p.m. Mass
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Confessions
- 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary

Friday, July 17, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Adoration
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Summer Camp
- 11:15 a.m. Childrens' Mass

Saturday, July 18, 2026

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

Sunday, July 19, 2026

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

Need a helper?
Want to be a helper?



HELPING HANDS

THE MISSION OF HELPING HANDS
PARISH OUTREACH IS TO BE THE
HANDS OF CHRIST IN OFFERING
TEMPORARY HELP & SUPPORT TO
PARISHIONERS IN NEED.
CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT
308-236-9171.

Second Sunday Sweets



Join us the second weekend of every month after all Masses

Cookies on Saturday • Donuts on Sunday

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.

www.mealtrain.com/trains/0rr3oz



Fourth Sunday Food Trucks



Following 10:30 am Mass
May - September

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



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.



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.

Nebraska Retrouvaille Weekend (August 7-9)

Schuyler, NE--Hope for a better marriage

Visit HelpOurMarriage.org for more information.



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.

KANSAS

Church Pilgrimage

JULY 23-25

FOR INCOMING SOPHOMORES-GRADUATED SENIORS



Kansas and Missouri

Join us as we discover some of the most beautiful and unique churches in Kansas, staying at Benedictine Abbey with a tour of the Abbey and College! On our way back, we will be visiting an Abbey in Missouri that hosts the incorruptible body of Sister Wilhelmina Lancaster.

Details

Maximum amount of participants: 20

Chaperones needed: cost covered for chaperones

Itinerary: can be found linked on the Registration Form!

Cost: \$300*

\$150 deposit required to reserve your spot

If you need help with the cost, please contact your Youth Minister, we do not want cost to be a barrier for you!

Registration

Register with the QR Code below!



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HOW TO PRAY

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What is Prayer?

Prayer is raising one's mind and heart to God or requesting good things from God. It is our living relationship with God, a conversation where we speak with Him and He speaks with us.

The Catechism teaches us that prayer is both a gift of grace and a determined response on our part.

For many people when they approach God in prayer, they only pour their feelings to God which is not bad, but a better prayer would begin with greetings, thanking God for what He has done for you and then after that, you begin expressing your needs. A prayer does not mean only asking God for something; it is a talk between a father and son or daughter.

Personally, I always use every moment as my prayer, I pray when I am happy, sad, in need or praying for someone. I always chose to pray for someone, and that makes me keep active in prayer.

I also have my notebook where I note my prayer requests, so it helps me to organize myself and to put a focus on what to pray.

1. **How long should I pray each day?** There's no time limit for prayer, what's most important is consistency and sincerity. Start with a few minutes each day and gradually increase as your relationship with God deepens. Even a **sincere "Good morning, Lord,"** or **"Thank you, Jesus,"** throughout your day counts as prayer.
2. **What if my mind wanders during prayer?** It's completely normal for your mind to wander during prayer. When you notice this happening, gently bring your attention back to your prayer without judging yourself. St. Teresa of Avila noted that distractions are part of everyone's prayer life, even for experienced contemplatives. **Perseverance is what matters.**
3. **Should I only pray when I feel like it?** Spontaneous prayer when you feel moved is valuable, establishing a regular prayer routine helps deepen your relationship with God. **The Catechism** describes prayer as a **"battle" because it requires effort and perseverance.** Just as in human relationships, consistent communication, even when difficult, strengthens your connection with God.
4. **What if I don't feel God's presence when I pray?** Not feeling God's presence during prayer is a common experience that even Saints like Mother Teresa endured for long periods. Faith means continuing to pray even when we don't feel immediate consolation. Remember that prayer works beyond our feelings. God is always listening and working in our lives, whether we feel His presence or not. This experience of spiritual dryness can actually deepen our faith as we learn to trust beyond our emotions.
5. **Is it better to pray alone or with others?** Both personal and communal prayer are essential parts of Catholic spiritual life. Jesus taught us to pray in our "inner room" (Matthew 6:6) but also promised to be present "where two or three are gathered" in his name (Matthew 18:20). Personal prayer fosters intimacy with God, while communal prayer, especially the Mass, unites us with the entire Body of Christ. Ideally, your prayer life should include both dimensions.
6. **How can I organize my daily prayer routine?**
 - **Morning prayer:** Begin your day by offering it to God. You can do this in a simple way, reading any written prayer or any form of words offering your day and program into the hands of God.
 - **Midday prayer:** Take a moment to pause and reconnect with God. The traditional angelus is often prayed at noon, or any short prayer can help center your day.
 - **Evening:** Reflect on your day, you can do this relaxing at your home, or from your workplace. You can choose to pray the rosary in the evening. For it is easy when you are done with your day to do so.
 - **Night prayer:** End your day with gratitude and surrender your night to God. You do not know what will happen in the night. So, offer your night in the hands of God.
 - **Learn to pray at any time.** During work, walking, or any moment.

THE POSTURE IN PRAYER.

N.B. Next time we shall talk about the posture of praying.

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

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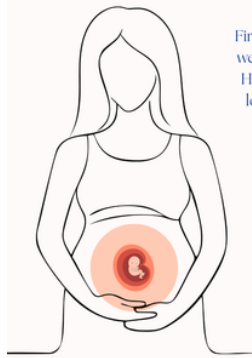
Helping Hands: Offering temporary help & support to parishioners in need. Call or email the parish office.

Like us on facebook & download our Parish App at myparishapp.com

Welcome packets for new parishioners available at each church entrance.

Mary's Journey - Theotokos

Mary's Pregnancy in weeks 16-18.



First signs of fetal movement may be felt around week 18 of her pregnancy as He kicks and turns. He will grow from the size of an avocado to the length of a cucumber and weigh from 5 to 6.5 ounces.



He can fully hear Mary's voice now. He has his very own unique set of finger prints. He is practicing sucking and swallowing.

Mary may have leg cramps or swelling in her feet and ankles, her gums may start bleeding and she may be feeling Baby moving.

Mary can try some calf exercises and elevating her legs to relieve her pain and swelling. She should also continue carefully brushing and flossing regularly to prevent periodontal disease.



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.



Natural Family Planning

Supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage.

Symptothermal Method

Dr. Matthew & Abbie Wecker
matt.abbie.wecker@gmail.com

Marquette Method

Dr. Kyle & Julie Myers
juliepmysers@gmail.com

July 18/19	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Greeters	Adell Ryan Jessica Baer	Joe Wheeler Korbin Killion	Julie Weir Kurt Schmidt
Servers	Parker Welch Clare Lacy Elijah Lacy <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Knox Killion William Friesell <i>Needs to be filled</i> <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Jack Knoell Sam Knoell Emmett Clay Austin Clay
Gift Bearer	Brian Vinton	<i>Needs to be filled</i>	Brian Lowe
Lector	Darleen Schulte	Amy Eigenberg	Randy Buschkoetter
Eucharistic Minister	Sharon Brummer Kelli Teahon Michael Teahon Le Spencer Cathy Emrick Connor Wiggins <i>Needs to be filled</i>	Darren Yendra Inga Yendra Lynn Killion Amy Eigenberg Butch Knapp Isaac Wheeler Cathy Labun	Carl Speer Walt Fick Tara Bowman Mike Bowman Joel Berrier Chris Knoell Jason Downing
Sound	Luke Lacy	Robert Hock	James Friesen
Livestreaming			
Coordinator	Judy Walker	Kathy White	Melissa Murphy
Sacristan	<i>Needs to be filled</i>	Kathy White	Chris Knoell
Homebound		Rt 1 Leroy Korus Rt 2 James Kennedy Rt 3 Diane Stevens Rt 4 Ellen Gitt Rt 5 Bill Gilbreath Rt 6 Lily Solomon	

DISCERE RETREAT

SATURDAY JULY 25, 2026

10:00AM - 3:00PM



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Tickets for the Mass of Beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, as well as many of the events surrounding this historic celebration are available at celebratesheen.com. The Mass of Beatification will take place on September 24, 2026, 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.

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