







PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Sunday, September 14th, 2025

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 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. or contact the Parish Office 308-236-9171 Rectory 308-224-3843

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday 8a.m.-Midnight **Friday** 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Fr. Scott Harter

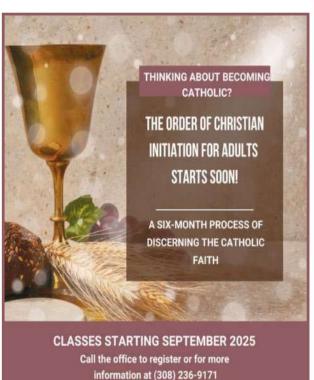
Fr. Scott Harter was ordained a priest in 2014 and became pastor of Prince of Peace in 2025.

Fr. Lawrence Kawagga

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

 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD.

They are assisted by **Deacon Tom Martin.**



Mass Schedule & Intentions MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 | MASS 7:30 AM 7:30 AM BISHOP HANEFELDT & PRIESTS OF THE G.I. DIOCESE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 | MASS 7:30 AM 7:30 AM NICK ARNTSEN †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 MASS 12:05 PM 12:05 PM MERLE LESSIG †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 | MASS 7:30 AM 7:30 AM JAN ALBRECHT †

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 | MASS 5:00 PM 5:00 PM JERRY MENKE †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 MASS 8:00 110:30 AM

8:00 AM PRINCE OF PEACE PARISHIONERS 10:30 AM JERRY MENKE †

Blessings! The OCIA program will meet every other Sunday from 4:00 -7:00 pm at POP beginning on September 14th. A meal will be provided at 5:30 pm. The first four Sunday meals are being provided by former OCIA class members, and we thank them for their generosity. **If** you would be interested in providing a meal and sharing food and fellowship with our Candidates and Catechumens, please contact the Prince of Peace office at (308) 236-9171. Someone will call you with dates and details.

> Thank you for your kind and welcoming spirits,

The Prince of Peace OCIA Team

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Pope Leo XIV's intention for the month of September: For our relationship with all of creation Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Confirmation retreat for high school seniors is Sept 21 from 11:45-6:30. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on November 23rd. 2025 at 12:30 PM.

New Confirmation classes will get started in January for high school juniors getting confirmed in 2026.





Married Couples: Last chance to register for the EverMore in Love Weekend Immersion Retreat! In this weekend, couples of all ages experience the wonder of being more in love. You don't want to miss it!

Prince of Peace Church September 27-28 Register at:

https://evermoreinlove.org/events

or by using the QR code:

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PRAYER AND WORSHIP

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS | SEPTEMBER 14, 2025



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

NEVA RICHTER

DEDE REIDY (FRIEND OF TIM UNREIN)

AUGUSTINE MILLER (NEPHEW OF SHELLIE BERRY)

JOSHUA ARAUJO (SON-IN-LAW OF MICHELLE RAY)

TAYA MOSELEY

BOB & KAY BRASS (COUSIN OF ADELE RYAN)

RICK PULLIAM (COUSIN OF ADELE RYAN)

HEATHER EDWARDS (DAUGHTER OF ROGER & JUDY WALKER)

CAROLYN (RAY) MENKE (SISTER-IN-LAW OF JERRY & CAROLYN MENKE)

AND ALL OTHERS IN NEED OF PRAYER.

PLEASE CALL HELEN AT THE 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.

*Confession time has been changed to 3:30-4:30 PM on Saturdays.

Additional times will be coming soon!

First Saturday Mass & Rosary

Bishop Hanefeldt will celebrate First Saturday Masses at St. Mary's Cathedral-Grand Island at 7 a.m. followed by a rosary through 2025. The intention is for the conversion of sinners.

Want to hear it again? Listen to Fr. Scott's homilies on our podcast: https://www.podbean.com/ew/pb-87yy3-192c2e4

Or watch a streaming of the weekend Mass on our YouTube channel: http://www.youtube.com/@princeofpeacecatholicchurc9605



Parish Goal: \$73,464 Total Raised: \$58,851 Household Goal: 185 Current Households: 147

Together on Mission: One of the goals this year is to increase participation as typically only 1 in 5 households give to the appeal. Imagine what our church or diocese could look like if more gave. Check parish progress across our diocese at https://gidiocesa.org/diocesan-appeal.



Monday, September 15, 2025

2:00 PM Food Pantry

6:30 PM Knights of Columbus

7:00 PM Life Teen

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

7:30 AM Mass

6:30 PM Watchmen

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

6:30 AM CEC Men's Group

7:30 AM Mass

4:00 PM Faith Formation

5:30 PM Faith Formation

7:00 PM Edge

Thursday, September 18, 2025

5:45 AM Watchmen

8:00 AM Adoration until Midnight

12:05 PM Mass

2:00 PM Food Pantry

Friday, September 19, 2025

7:30 AM Mass

8:00 AM Adoration until 5:00 PM

Saturday, September 20, 2025

3:30 PM Confession until 4:30 PM

5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, September 21, 2025

8:00 AM Mass

9:15 AM Deacon Tom's Theology Class

10:30 AM Mass

11:45 AM Confirmation Retreat with Mass



FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 WEEKLY BUDGET: \$21,100.00

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| AUGUST BUDGET | \$105,500.00 |
| SUNDAY, AUG 3, 2025 | \$20,507.71 |
| SUNDAY, AUG 10, 2025 | \$18,713.75 |
| SUNDAY, AUG 17, 2025 | \$17,397.02 |
| SUNDAY, AUG 24, 2025 | \$13,049.92 |
| ASSUMPTION | \$ 860.00 |
| SUNDAY, AUG 31, 2025 | \$12,486.22 |
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AUGUST TO DATE UNDER BUDGET

\$83,014.62 \$(22,485.38)

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of September 14, 2025

Sunday:

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Monday:

1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday:

1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/ Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday:

1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday:

1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50

Friday:

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/ Lk 8:1-3

Saturday:

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday:

Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/ 1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of my favorite movies is the 1991 comedy What About Bob? Bill Murray plays a troubled, paranoid hypochondriac named Bob Wiley who innocently but annoyingly hounds Dr. Leo Marvin, played by Richard Dreyfuss. Bob is paralyzed by his fear of, well, everything, and is convinced the psychologist can heal him. But Dr. Marvin's failed attempts to heal Bob end up driving the doctor to attempt to murder Bob. He fails. The surprise is that, having faced death head on, Bob is suddenly healed. He attributes his healing to Dr Marvin for breakthrough "death therapy." In facing the cause of his deepest illness and dysfunction, Bob is healed.

Underneath this light-hearted comedy is a dead-serious resonance with this week's feast: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is lifted up on the cross to force us to face the truth of sin and death. In that reckoning we find healing. Like Moses' snake on a pole, the cross says: this is what is causing your sickness – rebellion, disobedience, sin. Look at it! Don't run from it. Now seeing it exposed, we see life. We see our physician mercifully healing us. In this sense, we are all like Bob Wiley. The "death therapy" of the cross is our only hope for healing.

This week I invite you to "exalt the cross." If you don't have one in your house, get one. Use it for prayer. Gaze on it frequently. It teaches us to not be afraid. It heals us.

- Father John Muir

EVENTS-PILGRIMAGES-RETREATS

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Have you dreamed of visiting the Eternal City? Paul and Ann Sucha of AMS Travel will be offering a

pilgrimage to Rome in May of 2026. Call 308-627-3988 or email at amstravel@myyahoo.com for more information.



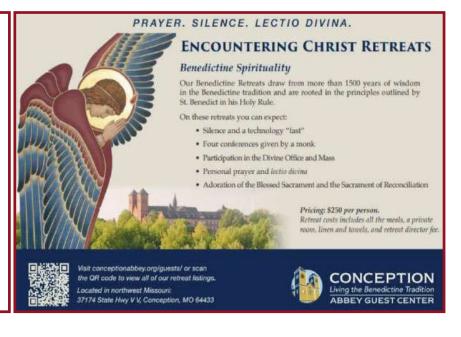
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Parish App at myparishapp.com

Welcome packets for new parishioners available at each church entrance.

Pray & Play

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY GROUP

Pray & Play Adoration, First Fridays of each month 9:00-10:30 am at St. James

We will split our time taking turns socializing & watching children in the social hall and being in the sanctuary. Please reach out with any questions or to join the group contact list for more social and prayer opportunities! Julie Myers 308-233-2589 juliepmyers@gmail

October 3 November 7 December 5

| Sept 20/21 | 5:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM |
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| Greeters | Joel Lungrin | Butch Knapp | Walt Fick |
| | Wendell Dubbs | Jo Wheeler | William Burns |
| Servers | Max Lungrin | Parker Snider | Nolan Lowe |
| | John Lungrin Elijah Lacy | Sullivan Ostrander | Sebastian Petrackis |
| | Clare Lacy | Rowan Ostrander | Charlotte Nicholson |
| Gift Bearer | Needs to be filled | Needs to be filled | Needs to be filled |
| Lectors | Lynda Daake | Paul O'Neill | Amy Lowe |
| Eucharistic | Robert Schulte | Dan Javins | Walt Fick |
| Ministers | Le Spencer | Chris Downey | Chris Knoell |
| | Deb Straka | Andrew Tellus | Amy Johnson |
| | Cale Krohn | Butch Knapp | Traci Runge |
| | Carolyn Menke | Pete Homan | Adam Schapmann |
| | Needs to be filled | Sara Homan | Needs to be filled |
| Sound | Joel Lungrin | Robert Hock | Needs to be filled |
| Livestreaming | Mitch O'Neill | | |
| Coordinator | Needs to be filled | Kathy White | Amy Johnson |
| Sacristan | Needs to be filled | Kathy White | Chris Knoell |
| Homebound Route 1 Route 2 Route 3 Route 4 Route 5 Route 6 | Please use Ministry Scheduler to request a substitute if you can't fulfill your assignment. | Pat Trausch Janine Walker Butch Knapp Kathy White Raymond Hanson Greg Welch | Please contact Tiffany Shuda or Kathy White at the parish office if you would like to be trained for any of these ministries. Thank you for serving the Lord! |



Life Chain 2025

Sunday, October 5th
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Pick up signs in the Shelter
Insurance parking lot (2802 2nd Ave)
starting at 1:45 PM.

We will line both sides of 2nd Ave starting at 25th street heading north. Please do not stand on the medians and stay back from the road. Bring your whole family! Rain or shine! Water, lawn chairs, umbrellas and strollers are welcome!

Diaper and Wipes Drive

We will also be sponsoring a Diaper and Wipes Drive. The diapers and wipes will be collected during Life Chain and donated to Collage, the Diaper Depot and Walking with Moms in Need. Diapers in sizes 2-5 have been requested.





Gianna Molla

Ministry:

Providing meals to mothers of newborns. If you'd like to volunteer to bring a meal, contact Tessa Donohue at (308) 440-6095.



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