



Soon (*and with your help*), **Catholic Spirit Radio** will be heard more clearly and further throughout our parish communities! The nearer you are to Normal, the better the chance you already hear the station on frequency 89.5 FM - provided the weather doesn't interfere. Wouldn't it be better if we could hear it all the time?

With prompting from folks in Clinton, the station recently investigated how to bring Catholic Spirit Radio to their community which has no service. The station will be able to do so by **adding a new antenna** to an existing radio tower and adding a new radio frequency - **88.3FM!** That's good for Clinton and for you when you're driving in this area. Even better, during research it was discovered that Wapella, Heyworth, and other nearby towns will also benefit from that same antenna and frequency! By this fall, Catholic Spirit Radio will be heard on 88.3 FM.

Purchasing and installation costs for such an endeavor are a minimum of \$15,000. Catholic Spirit Radio is non-profit and doesn't have all the necessary funds to make this happen. So, they are asking our parish communities to help by financially contributing to the project. With your generous financial contributions, we can be stakeholders in making Catholic radio a strong reality in our communities!

Catholic Spirit Radio is a resource - 24 hours a day, 365 days a year - which allows you to grow in faith. It's an easy and enjoyable way to learn more about Catholicism and receive guidance and encouragement for your daily life. Listeners of the station are Catholics, fallen away Catholics, and non-Catholics. There's a wide variety of solid programming for all ages from EWTN and four other national radio networks, as well as some local programming.

Whether you listen all day from home or work ...or for short periods during your commute, a Catholic radio station is worth having available in our local communities. Please prayerfully consider how you can financially support this project! **To support the new antenna purchase, send a check to (or drop into the collection basket) Catholic Spirit Radio, 108 Boeykens Place, Normal IL 61761. On the memo line write "Wapella." You may also donate online at catholicspiritradio.org. (309) 807-2427**



FESTIVAL CHOIR TOUR TO IRELAND AND SCOTLAND

The St Anthony Camerata Chorale Festival Choir is leading a tour to Ireland and Scotland with an optional 4-night extension to London, **July 29 through August 7, 2024.**

The deadline has been extended to February 28th. We would love to have you join our merry band as we enjoy the wonderful sights and sounds of our Gaelic adventure!

Several brochures are in the vestibule. Questions? **(309) 678-9166 / faheyirish19@gmail.com**



January Delicious Donations
SIDE DISHES are suggested: rice, soup, potatoes, stove top stuffing, yams, etc. **ALL non-perishable foods or personal care items are always welcome!** Place your donations in the container in the vestibule or for monetary donations, make checks payable to *St. Patrick Altar & Rosary Society* and place in the zipper bag. **Thank you!**

*If questions, contact Jane Schmid.
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Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Catholic Schools Week 1/28 - 2/3 "United in Faith and Community"

Schools usually celebrate with Masses, open houses, and activities for students, families, parishioners, and the community at large. As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education, and it is intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit. Catholic Schools Week celebrates the good news of Catholic schools and congratulates the many stakeholders who make it possible. **Questions about Catholic schools? Ask Father Derick!**

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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ADMINISTRATOR – FR. DERICK MWESIGA

JANUARY 28, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME



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Parish Pastoral Council President
Greg Luebbering
Parish Trustees Patty Hermes / Mark Kingery
Cemetery Trustees
Randy Toohill / Neil Whitted /
Maryellen Nommensen
Sacraments Contact the Parish Office.
Sacrament of Reconciliation
30 minutes before Sunday Mass
15 minutes before weekday Mass

PRAYER LIST

 **FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING**
Sue Brown, Beth Fryman,
Millie Humes, Bethany
Finnigan Jackson, Randie
Livingood, Bryan Lonergan, Jen Lonergan,
Dan Millman, Joan Morris, Paul Parsons,
Francis & Danna Powers, Marilyn Quaid,
Gary Riegel and all parishioners dealing
with illness and health conditions.
FOR HOLY SOULS & THEIR FAMILIES
Richard F. Orthen, Jr. 2/21/23, John Leo
Walsh 3/4/23, Roger G. Weber 3/5/23, Wil-
liam “Ben” Hale 4/2/23, Johanna Meyer Hor-
ton 5/13/23, Mary Evelyn Hale 5/21/23,
Jose Jesus Munoz Gomez 9/5/23, Jeffrey Mar-
tin Toohill 11/10/23, Lawrence Patrick Toohill
11/21/23.

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

January 28 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30-8:50 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass - Maryellen Nommensen
Offered by Diane Anderson
10:00 a.m. CCD Classes
Tuesday, January 30 - Weekday
8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Lawrence Toohill
Offered by Dennis & Jean Buraglio
6:30 p.m. Adult Education Class
Thursday, February 1 - Weekday
8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Lawrence Toohill
Offered by Susan Leonard Stype-Re' & Charlie Re'
February 3 - First Saturday Devotion
8:30 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Jose Jesus Munoz Gomez
Offered by The Munoz Family
9:30 a.m. Rosary
February 4 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30-8:50 a.m. Confessions
8:40 a.m. Rosary
9:00 a.m. Mass + Mary Evelyn Hale
Offered by Jim & Karen Powers
10:00 a.m. CCD Classes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE


Saturday, January 27th 4:00 p.m.
Lector - Ken Ferrie
Altar Server - Claire Martens

January 28th Lector Jim Powers Altar Servers Tristan Crow Timmy Romer Alex Romer Bianca Crow	February 4th Lector Kim Weber Altar Servers Caleb Troha Keegan Troha Addison Troha
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HOPE AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION
The Living Scripture Retreat
February 9-11 or October 25-27
Spanish Retreat
Escritura Viva: August 2-4
This is the new name of the long-standing retreat program formerly known as “Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat.” These retreats are offered for those struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion experience. This healing weekend is for singles or married couples, mothers, fathers, grandparents, siblings, friends, or anyone who may be suffering the effects of an abortion loss.
Register by calling (309) 264-1489 or emailing rvrpeoria@gmail.com.
There is a registration fee, but financial assistance is available through our parish office or by contacting Colleen Harmon at the phone number or email above.
All communications are strictly confidential.
English & Spanish brochures are available on our vestibule shelves.

Catholic Spirit Radio
New Volunteer Positions Available
Are you newly retired? Do you have free time while your children are in school? Are you looking for meaningful volunteer work? If any of the following sound right for you, call (309)807-2427 to find out more about these volunteer positions.
Event Manager - This person will lead the coordination of our on-air Spring and Fall fundraisers. Energy and experience in marketing, fundraising, or a related field is needed. This may evolve into a paid position.
Spirit Liaison - 1 to 2 representatives from each area will help to occasionally work at informational tables at local parish and community events, distribute items to churches, and maintain contact with Catholic Spirit Radio’s main office. Liaisons needed in Rockford, Harvard, DeKalb, Sycamore, Morris, Joliet, Pontiac, Lincoln, Clinton.
Office Assistant - Approximately 4-6 hours per month are needed to assist with communication and scheduling. A volunteer with basic computer skills, organizational and writing competencies, and the ability to work professionally with the public is needed.

JANUARY 21ST COLLECTIONS

	Sunday - - - - - \$1,688.00 Children’s - - - - - \$43.00 Outreach - - - - - \$815.00 TOTAL \$2,546.00
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Dates & Events to Note

- * **Thursday, January 25**
7:00-8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- * **Saturday, January 27**
4:00 p.m. Mass followed by Dinner & BINGO
- * **Tuesday, January 30**
6:30 p.m. Adult Education Class
- * **Saturday, February 3**
9:00 a.m. First Saturday Devotion
- * **Tuesday, February 6**
6:00-7:30 p.m. Men’s Group
- * **Sunday, February 11**
Second Collection - Aid to Eastern Europe Churches
- * **Tuesday, February 13**
12:00 p.m. A&R changing altar cloths to violet
6:30 p.m. Adult Education Class
(pre-reading: Exodus Chapters 8-15)
- * **Wednesday, February 14**
7:00 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass
- * **Tuesday, February 20**
6:00-7:30 p.m. Men’s Group
- * **Saturday February 24**
8:30 a.m. Church deep cleaning
- * **Monday, February 26**
6:15 p.m. Altar & Rosary Society meeting
- * **Tuesday, February 27**
6:30 p.m. Adult Education Class

VOCATIONS

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 28

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE **February 2**

“I will raise up for them a prophet like you.” If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or as a consecrated sister or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the **Diocese of Peoria Office of Vocations** at (309) 671-1550.

