



The Church's Movement - A Witness of Unity

With only a few months remaining before this historic gathering, the tens of thousands of Catholics registered for the Congress tell an inspiring story about the Church in the U.S. coming together in a radical way.

* Lay Catholics of all ages, backgrounds, and missions will be in one place to worship and adore Our Lord together.

* 200 bishops and over 1,000 priests and deacons (and counting!) are planning to participate in the Congress.

* Many religious orders plan to send representatives.

* Over 100 of the most trusted voices in the Church have agreed to bless us with their talents and wisdom. Click here to explore the speakers.

* We've seen an unprecedented collaboration of over 200 apostolates who were inspired by the vision for the Congress and are instrumental in making it happen.

Not only will the 10th National Eucharistic Congress reflect the unity of the Church in her people, but this event will also be a witness to the unity of mission and the impact of the National Eucharistic Revival in America. Visit EucharisticCongress.org to learn more and register online.

What: 10th National Eucharistic Congress | When: July 17-21, 2024

Where: Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, Indiana

Questions? [Contact parishioner Maryellen Nommensen](mailto:Maryellen.Nommensen@dioceseofpeoria.org) at (916) 801-0741.

VOCATIONS



**Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28**
**Religious Brothers Day
May 1st**

"He had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus." Pray for those who God is boldly calling forth to serve Him and His people as religious brothers. If you are considering this joy-filled vocation, talk to your priest or reach out to the **Diocese of Peoria Office of Vocations (309) 671-1550**.



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

April Delicious Donations Suggestion: Italian Foods

...pasta, marinara & alfredo sauces, pesto, parmesan cheese, canned ready-to-heat and eat Italian pastas, etc. ALL non-perishable foods or personal care items are welcome! Place donations in the vestibule tub or monetary donations (checks payable to *St. Patrick Altar & Rosary Society*) in the zipper bag. Thank you! Questions? Jane Schmid - sjnschmd@gmail.com

Looking Ahead

Now through Noon Tuesday, April 30

Online St. Patrick apparel, etc. store

Sunday, April 28

First Communion Mass followed by Brunch for the parish to honor First Communicants and those Confirmed this Spring

Tuesday, April 30

6:00-7:30 p.m. Men's Group

Saturday, May 4

First Saturday Devotion

Sunday, May 12

May Crowning; Alex Romer Confirmation



**Nun Run for Cancer
124 SW Adams St.
Peoria**

Saturday, May 4th is the annual Nun Run, which will raise funds for the new OSF Healthcare Cancer Institute.

The event is designed to celebrate the sisters' mission to serve people with the greatest care and love. It is a wonderful

5k run and / or 1 mile walk celebrating the mission. For more details and to sign up, visit raceroster.com/events/2024/76135/nun-run-for-cancer.

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ADMINISTRATOR - FR. DERICK MWESIGA

APRIL 28, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Catholic Church
Wapella, IL

**St. Patrick, Wapella
Clothing & Accessories**

**Online Store CLOSING
Tuesday, APRIL 30th
at 12:00 noon**

stpatwapella.itemorder.com/shop/home

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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, Dawn Hawkins, Millie Humes, Randie Livingood, Bryan Lonergan, Jen Lonergan, Dan Millman, Joan Morris, Paul Parsons, Francis & Danna Powers, Marilyn Quaid, Gary Riegel, Alex Romer, 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, William "Ben" Hale 4/2/23, Johanna Meyer Horton 5/13/23, Mary Evelyn Hale 5/21/23, Jose Jesus Munoz Gomez 9/5/23, Jeffrey Martin Toohill 11/10/23, Lawrence Patrick Toohill 11/21/23, Bethany N. Finnigan Jackson 4/15/24.

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

April 28 - Fifth Sunday of Easter; First Holy Communion
8:30-8:50 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass ++ Francis "Bud" & Marilyn Walsh
Offered by Jim & Karen Powers

10:00 a.m. Parish Brunch in the hall FOR EVERYONE to celebrate students who received Sacraments of Confirmation & First Holy Communion this year

Tuesday, April 30 - Easter Weekday
8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Jeff Toohill
Offered by Mike & Mary Pat Killian

6:00-7:30 p.m. Men's Group

Thursday, May 2 - Saint Athanasius
8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Lawrence Toohill
Offered by Jeff & Julie Franklin

May 4 - First Saturday Devotion
8:30 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Lawrence Toohill
Offered by Debra Toohill

9:30 a.m. Rosary & Litany

May 5 - Sixth Sunday of Easter
8:30-8:50 a.m. Confessions
8:40 a.m. Rosary
9:00 a.m. Mass + Lawrence Toohill
Offered by Dennis & Jean Buraglio

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 28 Reader Jim Powers	May 5 Reader TBD
Altar Servers Alex Maas Bianca Crow Braxton Denning	Altar Servers TBD

APRIL 28TH COLLECTIONS

<i>Thank You FOR</i>	Sunday - - - - - \$1,292.75
GIVING	Children's - - - - - \$15.00
GENEROUSLY	Outreach - - - - - \$350.00
	Mission Co-Op Appeal - \$12,854.00
	TOTAL \$14,511.75



Congratulations to St. Patrick Students Confirmed Last Sunday, April 21st

(L to R) Ridge Braden, Ben Maas, Jayce Moser, Lucy Prestegaard, Carolena Ferrie, Silas Crow, Camden Denning, Keegan Troha, Kaylee Moser, Grace Braden, James Hawkins

They received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Peoria. Fr. Derick Mwesiga and Bishop Lou Tylka are pictured as well.

Thank you Isaac Ferrie (Confirmation teacher) for preparing them for this most blessed day!



St. Patrick 2024 Sacramental Events

Please keep our young people in your prayers.

First Communion (Today!) - Sunday, April 28th

Elsie Albert, Lysie Moser, Maia Mowery, Olivia Prestegaard, Emmett Trost

Confirmation (Wapella) - Sunday, May 12th - Alex Romer

Parish Brunch Celebration

EVERYONE is INVITED to HONOR these young parishioners at our parish brunch after Mass TODAY - Sunday, April 28th! Please come enjoy and congratulate them all!



*** Birthright Annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser ***

We are delighted St. Patrick Church has welcomed Birthright again this year to take part in our one and only fundraiser beginning Mothers' Day weekend! The needs of young mothers, families, and babies continue to struggle during these tough times when the cost of everything is on the increase. As a result, families rely on Birthright's services more than ever.

Birthright offers two easy options for your use. You may visit birthright.org/ Bloomington and click the DONATE button on the front page OR take a baby bottle home Sunday, May 12th. They are available in or near the vestibule. Please fill it with a check, cash, or coins and Birthright will gratefully receive them from your church.

Birthright serves young mothers, families, and babies in our area at NO COST to them, by offering pregnancy tests, diapers, clothing (maternity and baby) and layettes, as well as financial assistance in a friendly, safe, and non-judgmental environment. A 24-hour hotline is available as well. We hope that families in need take advantage of our services.

As Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta said so profoundly, "Abortion has become the greatest destroyer of peace, because it destroys two lives: the life of the child and the conscience of the mother".

*** Birthright would not exist without your help. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to life! ***