THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S March 30 – April 5

Sunday	
9:00am 10:30am 10:30am 11:45am	Luke 2(Daily Bible Reading) Joshua 9-12 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading) Worship Service Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room/Bible Basics-Education Bldg Sunday School/Confirmation/High School & Beyond-Education Bldg Rejoicing Ringers Practice
Monday 12:30pm	Hebrews 2 (Daily Bible Reading) Joshua 13-15 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading) Prayer Shawl
Tuesday 2:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Numbers 21 (Daily Bible Reading) Joshua 16-19 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading) Sunrise Service Grief Share Adult Handbell Sr Choir
9:30am 11:00am	 1 Peter 5 (Daily Bible Reading) Joshua 20-21(Chronological Daily Bible Reading) Bible Study Midweek Lent Service w/lunch to follow m HomeSchool (FH) Midweek Lent Bible Study
Thursday 8:30am-Noo 7:00pm All Day	1 John 5 (Daily Bible Reading) Joshua 22-24(Chronological Daily Bible Reading) n SSHS (FH) Elders Meeting Alaska Mission Trip Fund Raiser – Red Robin (Orland Park)
Friday 11:00am	Romans 3 (Daily Bible Reading) Judges 1-2 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading) Sandy Zulfer's Memorial Service & Lunch
Saturday 7:00am 8:00am 8:30-11:00au 11:30am	Matthew 26 (Daily Bible Reading) Judges 3-5 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading) Men's Bible Study – The Titus Ten Praise Team Practice m Food Pantry Women's Event

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT Sunday, March 30, 2025

Our 9:00am Service is from LSB, Divine Setting 1, page 151

Entrance Hymn	#421	"Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing"
Hymn of the Day	#612	"As Rebels , Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered"
Distribution Hymn	#570	"Just as I Am, without One Plea"
-	#642	"O Living Bread from Heaven"

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading Epistle Reading Holy Gospel Reading Isaiah 12:1-6 *p*.733 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 *p*.1228 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 *p*.1112

Altar Flowers are given in thanks and praise to God.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Elder – Mike Najewski Acolyte – Griffin Schmeckpeper Ushers- Dale & Kathy Johnson Organist – Pam Reinke Tech Team – Tyler Burnett, Paul & Logan Szymanski Altar Guild – Doris Kent & Vivian Purnell Offerings Counters – Yvonne Blume & Dottie Hagestad Sacred Grounds Hosts – George Kraus & The MacCrackens Lent Midweek Worship & Bible Study – Wednesday, April 2nd Worship at 11:00am (in person & Livestream) with a lunch after the service at Noon and Bible Study at 7:00pm (in person & on Zoom). Our theme is "*Return to the Lord* – *Return from Denial*" and corresponds with the Adult Lenten Devotions. You can find the service at any time by going to our St. Paul Facebook page.

Alaska Fundraiser - Why cook? Give the kitchen a rest and come out to **Red Robin in Orland Park** on **Thursday, April 3rd for lunch or dinner** – 20% of sales will support the 2025 Alaska Mission Trip. Please bring your family, your friends, and your neighbors, too. More information is on the flier in the Narthex.

Memorial Service for Sandy Zulfer – Sandy Zulfer passed on November 28, 2024 and there will be a Memorial Service for Sandy here at St. Paul's on Friday, April 4th at 11:00am with a lunch to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Women's Event - Your mission team is planning an afternoon of food, devotions, music, and fun **for the women of St. Paul on Saturday, April 5 from 11:30am-2:30pm.** Our speaker will be Dionne Lovestad-Jones from Visual Faith Ministry, and she will work with us to bring meaning to Psalm 90:17. Her presentation is titled "Prosper the Works of Our Hands, O Lord" and she will focus on prayer. Lunch will be provided, and we will need to have enough materials for activities, so please RSVP if you can attend. Call, text, or talk to Sheila O'Neil at 708-218-8211, Vivian Purnell at 708-748-8808 or Rosanne Tadsen at 708-209-5335 to reserve your place or sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Ladies Aid- Women in Mission - please join us Tuesday, April 8th at noon in the narthex. Please bring an appetizer to share.

1975-2025 Matteson Historical Society – Invites you to the 50th Anniversary Open House - Celebrate with us, tour our exhibits and enjoy light refreshments. Sunday, April 12th from 1:00pm-3:00pm – Matteson Historical Museum, 813 School Avenue, Matteson IL.

40 Years of Prison Ministry – Deaconess Lori Wilbert - On **Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 pm** we will host a celebration of 40 years of prison ministry for Deaconess Lori, who is retiring now. Along with our members, other congregations and individuals who have supported Lori, will be present to hear about Lori's work these past 40 years, as well as stories, pictures and mementos of those years, including our involvement here at St. Paul. We will have refreshments and a time to mingle with Lori and others, along with a short worship service of thanks and praise to God.

Griefshare Support Group - Tuesday's at 6 pm here at St. Paul we continue to host Griefshare for those of you who are mourning the loss of someone dear, and you want help as you manage your grief. Come and give it a try. For more information go to: griefshare.org.

Adult Handbell & Senior Choir practice for Easter are on Tuesday's. Adult Handbell practice is at 6:00pm & Sr Choir practice is at 7:00pm. Questions, contact Pam Reinke at 708-334-2550.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Patti Tucker, Lynn Patriarca, Diane Hattendorf, Ronnie Campbell, Dale Habenicht, Mary Schmidtke, Rosanne Tadsen, Peggy Smutny & College Students – Alex Hagestad & Kate Hagestad

TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$1,618
Building Fund	\$577	\$170
Mission	\$327	\$50

Discretionary Fund-\$20; St Matthews-\$20; LCC Comfort Dogs-\$30; St. Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$370; Food Pantry-\$30; Lenten Services-\$545; LCMS Mercy Ministry-\$500



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MARY'S CORNER

Here is something we should all consider. Everything is permissible for us but by wisdom of God, we should understand how precious our life is, how important each moment we have; because the price of our life is measured not by how productive the world thinks we are, but by how we are valued by God. He thinks we are worth the life of His only Son. I know for sure He values and loves us very much.