



# ST. MOTHER THEODORE GUERIN PARISH

St. Celestine and St. Cyprian  
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July 7, 2024

## 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished.  
- Mk 6:2

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**MASSES**  
Saturday 5 PM  
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11 AM  
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday  
8 AM

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Sunday 9 AM  
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**MISSION STATEMENT:** "To do God's will as a unified, vibrant parish, and to foster an intentional relationship with Jesus through worship, witness, service, discipleship, and community."

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, July 6

#### 4 PM St. Cyprian

+Elizabeth Rynne  
+Jessica Cirolia

#### 5 PM St. Celestine

+Jan Kamptner, Anniversary  
+Michael Kunz, Birthday  
+Rita Schmidt, Anniversary

### SUNDAY, July 7

#### 7:30 AM St. Celestine

+Joe Castronovo, 1 Month  
Anniversary

#### 9 AM St. Cyprian

+Giovanna Scafidi  
+Casmer and +Irene Halinski

#### 11 AM St. Celestine

+Ronald Bell  
+Jozefa Powrozek  
+Helena Golab  
Thanksgiving for graces received  
+Jan Kamptner  
+Stanislaw Lis  
+Janina and +Czeslaw Dawidziuk  
+Jan Wilk  
+AJ (Joe) Corbett, 38th  
Anniversary  
+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk

### MONDAY, July 8

#### 8 AM St. Celestine

+Nick DiCianni, Wedding  
Anniversary  
+Sabatino and +Concetta  
DiCianno

### TUESDAY, July 9

#### 8 AM St. Cyprian

+Bernie Lim

### WEDNESDAY, July 10

#### 8 AM St. Celestine

+Louise E. Czarnecki, Birthday  
+Sabatino and Concetta DiCianno,  
Birthday  
+Nick DiCianni

### THURSDAY, July 11

#### 8 AM St. Cyprian

+Elmer Swiatkowski, Birthday

### FRIDAY, July 12

#### 8 AM St. Celestine

People of the Parish

### SATURDAY, July 13

#### 1 PM St. Celestine

Delilah Ocon, Quinceanera

#### 4 PM St. Cyprian

+Kenneth Tuytens  
+Joseph Sweeney

#### 5 PM St. Celestine

+Ken Strabley, 4th Anniversary  
+Frances Ziaja, Anniversary  
+Irving and +Angeline Evertsen

### SUNDAY, July 14

#### 7:30 AM St. Celestine

+Father Bernard White

#### 9 AM St. Cyprian

+Giovanna Scafidi  
+Roland Wiemerslage  
+Gus Delisi  
+Marina Cantor  
+Pierluigi Fiorentino  
+Luigi Piazza  
+Dina Digiacinto

#### 11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk  
+Chuck Roy, Sr.  
+Helen and +Stanley Kubacki  
+Ronald McGuire, Birthday  
+Helena Golab  
+Jozefa Powrozek  
+Franco Sciuillo, 1st Anniversary



## St. Mother Theodore Guerin

Welcome! If you are new to our churches or just visiting, please introduce yourself. We are happy to share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not home to you, we are open to anyone looking for a spiritual home.

We invite you to become a part of our parish. Register by calling the parish office at 708-453-2555.

Need help? Many services are provided by **Catholic Charities**. Call 312-655-7700 or go to [catholiccharities.net](http://catholiccharities.net).

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## Marriage Banns

July 20 John Merrithey and Sarah Reese



## From the Pastor's Desk: Father Paul Cao

### Golf Outing

I'd like to thank all of those who participated in our parish's golf outing on June 24, along with all of our generous sponsors. We enjoyed a beautiful day out on the course at White Pines and had a very enjoyable time at the dinner. I extend my heartfelt thanks to Laurie DePillo and Kim Hagerty for organizing the fundraiser for our parish and for our staff and volunteer help, especially Lynn Schmidt, Andrea Mayer, Eric Mueller, and Linda Santelli. I also would like to thank everyone who helped in many different ways to make this event successful. Thank you!!!

**Summer mission appeal:** Next weekend we welcome Brother Mike Segvich, CFC, from the Congregation of Christian Brothers this weekend. Br. Mike will speak at all the masses about his mission work and asks

us to extend our hand to help those who are in need. Please be generous to help their great mission.

Letter from Br. Sean Whitty, the Mission Co-ordinator:  
*The Congregation of Christian Brothers was founded in 1802 by Bl. Edmund Rice (1762-1844) in Waterford, Ireland to educate the poor and marginalized youth of his day. By the end of the twentieth century, the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers grew steadily and opened many primary and secondary schools, colleges and orphanages in many different countries. In the footsteps of their Founder, they fulfill their mission to be a Christ Presence among God's poor in a spirit of compassion and commitment through education. Today, the Brothers still serve as teachers, mentors, social workers and community development professionals in some of the poorest regions of the world. The North American Brothers serve in Latin America; in Peru and Bolivia, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in Dominica,*

*West Indies, and in Brownsville, Texas. The needs are so great and it is only through the financial generosity of people in North America that we can continue to bring the Good News of Jesus through a good Catholic education to those who are less fortunate. We ask you to support us, the Brothers, in our missionary efforts to serve the disadvantaged youth in our world. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.*

Sincerely,

Brother Sean Whitty CFC  
 Mission Co-ordinator  
 Edmund Rice Christian Brothers  
 North America

Have a great week!

May God bless you and your loved ones!

In prayer,

Fr. Paul

## Garage Sale July 13

Would you like to participate in the Elmwood Park garage sales but don't have the space (or garage) at your home?

Get a space in the St. Celestine parking lot and sell from here! \$25 will get you two parking spaces; one for your car and one for the stuff you will be selling. Bring your own table and chairs and start selling!

Set up at 8 AM on Saturday, July 13 and sell until 2 PM. All sellers must remove their garbage and anything not sold by 2:30 PM.

Call 708-453-2555 or email [lschmidt@stguerinparish.org](mailto:lschmidt@stguerinparish.org) to reserve your space.

You can pay at the Pastoral Center or on Give Central.

## 50+ Years Married Masses



Were you married in 1974 or before? Plan to join us at the 9 AM Mass at St. Cyprian or the 11 AM Mass at St. Celestine on Sunday, July 21 for a special blessing. Please call the parish office at 708-452-2555 to RSVP.

## On Being Invisible

I had an epiphany moment in 2022 at the DMV on Elston. I was waiting in a long line when a young woman stepped up behind me. She asked me a question about renewing her license. I helped her, then lost her in the crowd. When I saw her again some minutes later in another line, I made a (witty?) remark about the entire process, and while she looked at me as I said it, she more so looked through me, like I wasn't even there. And in that precise moment, I thought: "Oh, geeze! I'm invisible to her!"

My cloak of invisibility has stayed with me, and it seems to be expanding its purview. I notice this mostly on my early morning runs. Whether I'm on the path in the Caldwell-Devon forest preserve, or whether I'm on the sidewalk getting there and back, I often encounter other runners and walkers going in the opposite direction. I typically approach them with "Good morning!" and more times than not over the past few months, they don't respond. At all. Huh? Maybe these non-respondents are distracted or lost in thought. Yeah. That's probably it. Or maybe I'm invisible.

When I told my daughter this, she said, "Like Mr. Cellophane," a song from the musical, Chicago. I'd forgotten it, but when I looked it up, I saw that the lyrics speak my heart: "... even without clucking

like a hen/ Everyone gets noticed, now and then/ Unless, of course, that personage should be/ Invisible, inconsequential me!/ Cellophane/ Mister Cellophane Shoulda been my name/ Mister Cellophane/ 'Cause you can look right through me/ Walk right by me/ And never know I'm there..."

In a promo for an upcoming legal series called Matlock (a gender do-over of the old TV show), Kathy Bates in the title role knows what it's like to be invisible. In her case, it's because she's an aging woman. In my case, it's because I'm a 70-year-old man. The Bates character relishes her invisibility, for it allows her—and apparently others of her ilk—to get away with things because, as she says in the promo, "nobody

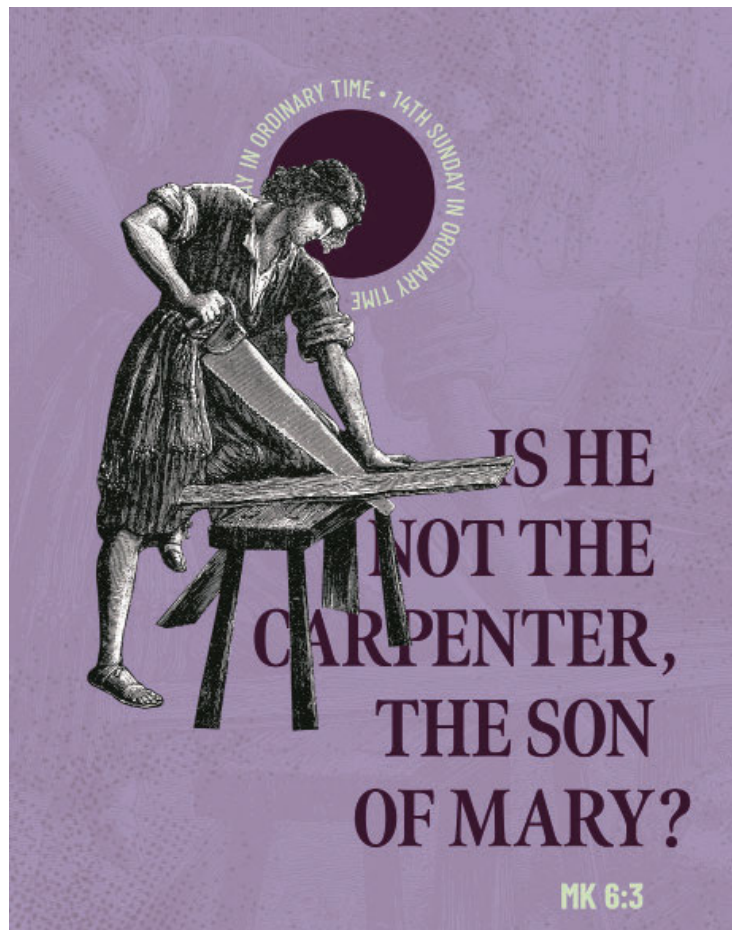
sees us coming." In contrast, I do not relish my invisibility because it just makes me feel irrelevant. AKA: invisible, inconsequential, and yes, cellophane-ish.

Despite all of Jesus's signs and wonders, I wonder if he ever feels the same. And I wonder this especially given today's Gospel passage, Jesus's rejection at Nazareth. Here, Jesus returns to his native place with his disciples. So... small town boy makes good? Hardly. At least not if we listen to the locals. Because when Jesus begins teaching in the synagogue on the sabbath, the crowd grumbles: "Where did this man get all this?...Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary...?"

By refusing to recognize Jesus, the locals make him invisible. Jesus gets

it, saying, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." He can't even do any mighty deeds there because of their lack of faith. But more mighty deeds are coming (including the mightiest deed ever), and this carpenter—this son of Mary—has been crazy visible ever since. And me? Unless I set an Old Guys record in the Chicago Marathon or get a Pulitzer or something for column-writing, I'll probably be invisible from here on out. That's OK, though. Jesus recognizes me I pray, and this visibility is enough.

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# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

But you shall say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD!  
And whether they heed or resist  
— for they are a rebellious house —  
they shall know that a prophet has been among them. (Ez 2:4-5)

### Psalm:

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy. (Ps 123)

### Second Reading:

I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses,  
in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me.  
(2 Cor 12:9)

### Gospel:

“A prophet is not without honor except in his native place  
and among his own kin and in his own house.” (Mk 6:4)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When Jesus taught in the synagogue of his native place, he didn't fit the image of the Messiah the people expected. They dismissed him. Let's learn from their example and remember that God often comes to us in forms that are surprising — even challenging.

## Observances for the week of July 7, 2024

- Sunday:** 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Tuesday:** St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest,  
and Companions, Martyrs  
**Thursday:** St. Benedict, Abbot  
**Saturday:** St. Henry  
**Next Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the week

Born to a noble family in Florence, St. Mary Magdalen de' Pazzi (1566-1607), has been called the “ecstatic saint” or “The Passion Flower of the Eucharist,” because of the trance-like state, or ecstasy, she entered after receiving Holy Communion.

## Prayer for Truth

Dear Lord,  
Your prophets were those who spoke Your Truth.  
Help me to be a speaker of truth as well, one who reminds of Your love, encourages the lowly, and points ever more deeply to You.  
Amen.

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### A Prophet and His Native Place

"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place." It could be the slogan of high school reunions everywhere.

I speak from experience — I didn't go to my high school reunion, but I do live in the same area in which I grew up. Ghosts from the past lurk in every grocery aisle and gas station. Former classmates fill my prescriptions at the pharmacy. I am always sure to see an old teacher or two at the Fourth of July parade.

If my teenage self knew that this was her future, she would be horrified. She wanted to grow up and move away, not because she didn't like living in this town, but because she wanted to reinvent herself. And you can't reinvent yourself in your native place. In your hometown, you'll always be exactly what you are — no more, no less.

The same was true for Jesus, who was probably the only person actually worthy of admiration at his high school reunion. When he returned to his native place, he was what he had always been — God and man, Messiah, miracle-worker. This is not something he became, it was always within him.

But the people of Nazareth cannot accept it. Why?

Well, probably for the same reason that I wanted to reinvent myself when I was 16. We don't often see anything worth venerating in the "right now" of our lives. We think happiness is a promotion or a pay bump away. We think we'll finally be holy when we find the time to take that silent retreat. We think we will be beautiful when we lose ten pounds.

The Nazarenes lived with God right under their noses, and they didn't realize it. So, when he came in all his greatness, the dissonance was too much to bear, and they rejected him. They didn't want that God — the one they had dismissed or overlooked or ignored. They wanted a different one. A shinier one. One that didn't look like the "right now" of their lives.

But that's where God is, folks. He's in the right now, and nowhere else. He's waiting there for you, with all the happiness, holiness, and beauty your life needs.

*Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house."  
— Mark 6:4*

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

In Year B, we hear primarily from the Gospel of Mark. Since each Evangelist has a unique perspective, what are the key issues that Mark addresses in his Gospel?

#### Answer:

Gospels are a particular faith community's reflection on Jesus. Each Gospel's author reflected that community's faith in Jesus. Jesus' message is made relevant to the community's situation and context. Mark was the first Gospel to be written. When Matthew and Luke wrote theirs, they imitated and adapted Mark for their communities.

Mark's Gospel seems to be addressed to a faith community undergoing turmoil, rejection, and persecution—forces that threaten to overwhelm them. This provides the context around which Mark fashions the story of Jesus. He presents Jesus as the One sent by God to confront the forces of evil. That is the good news of Jesus.

Jesus' struggle with the demonic forces leads to confrontation, rejection, outright opposition, and a conspiracy to do away with him. Realizing this, Jesus is not deterred. Rather Jesus calls for total faith in God who helps us to overcome the forces of evil. Suffering and even death seem to be the consequences of this struggle. Yet, that is not the end. The one who suffers for the sake of others, the suffering servant, will be the one through whom redemption and salvation will come to all. For Mark, this is what discipleship demands and what true faith in God can and will accomplish. See if you can detect these themes as you read Mark's Gospel.

# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of July 7, 2024

### Sunday:

Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/  
2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

### Monday:

Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5,  
6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

### Tuesday:

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8,  
9-10/Mt 9:32-38

### Wednesday:

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
Mt 10:1-7

### Thursday:

Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/  
Mt 10:7-15

### Friday:

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14  
and 17/Mt 10:16-23

### Saturday:

Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

### Next Sunday:

Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/  
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, “You’ll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try.” Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won’t work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week’s words from St Paul, “**I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me** (2 Cor. 12:9).” Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn’t promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let’s face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it’s there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

— *Father John Muir*

## Watch The Chosen, Season 4!



We will be watching **Episode 6 of Season 4** on Tuesday, July 2 after the 8 AM Mass at St. Cyprian in the rectory, and we will show **Episode 7 of Season 4** on Wednesday, July 3 at 6:30 PM in the Fireside Room at St. Celestine.

Episode 6:  
"Dedication"

Jesus and the disciples celebrate Hanukkah. Matthew confronts Judas about irregularities, and the festival turns into a fight, then flight. The disciples escape with their lives, but learn a friend hasn't been so lucky.

Episode 7: The Last Sign

Jesus brings Lazarus back to life—and sets off the chain of events that will lead to His own death.



## Memorial Garden



The Memorial Garden at St. Celestine was blessed by Father Paul on June 16. Stop by and rest and say a prayer for those who have gone before us. There are small river rocks hand-painted with the name of someone to be remembered on them. If you would like to honor the memory of someone with their name on a river rock in the garden, please drop an envelope with the name of the deceased and the year that they died in the collection basket at any mass. You are invited to include a small donation of any amount. Please mark the envelope to the attention of Laurie for the Memorial Garden.



## OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a process by which adults explore the Catholic faith and ordinarily become members of the Church.

The program consists of several months of instruction in the teachings, beliefs, customs, and practices of the Catholic faith. Those who complete the process receive the sacraments, usually Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, or a combination of those, at Easter.

### WHO IS THE OCIA INTENDED FOR?

- Adults and Teens who have never been baptized.
- Adults and Teens who have been baptized in another Christian denomination.
- Adults and Teens who were baptized Catholic, but never received First Communion or Confirmation.

Teen Classes meet on Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 PM in St. Cyprian Rectory beginning on September 24. Adult Classes meet on Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 PM in the St. Cyprian Rectory beginning on September 26. The Sacraments are celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

Please contact our Director of Lifelong Faith Formation, Ruthanne Swiatkowski at 708-453-2555 x 5017 or email [rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org](mailto:rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org)

## St. Mother Theodore Guerin - Religious Education Registration 2024-2025



Religious Ed begins on Saturday, September 14 and you can register now!

## Queen of Hearts Summer Schedule



Here is the summer schedule for the Queen of Hearts raffle to benefit St. Celestine School. The raffle is held at Tony D's on Belmont on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM with Bingo, and the Queen of Hearts raffle pulled after. The pot as this bulletin is printed is \$6,195, and the winner splits the pot with the school. Come have a bite to eat, play bingo, and support your school. Buy Queen of Hearts Raffle tickets!



*Intentions for loved ones were offered at the Mass on the morning of the annual Golf Outing.*

**Golf Outing 2024**





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### Our sincere gratitude to our Golf Outing sponsors:

Thanks to all who sponsored the Golf Outing that was held at White Pines on Monday, June 24. We would like to especially thank our Hole-in-One sponsors: Sax-Tiedemann Funeral Home, The Elms Funeral Home, The Belmont Funeral Home, Village Auto and Towing, and Louis Scannicchio, Attorney. Please thank our sponsors and support their businesses!

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    - In memory of Anthony and Loretta Nottoli

# Pray for Them

## Sick

Please remember the following people who are seriously ill. If you wish to add a name with the person's permission, please call the parish office. Names remain on the list for 4 weeks.

Angelo L'Abbate	James Nasti
Therese Anello	Larry Nestor
Grace Baldessara	Ron Nichols
Sergio Bigalin	Sister Louise Noesen
Michael Binder	Brendan O'Brien
Alexandra Bradish	Francisco Palattao, Jr.
Edward Bray	Carolyn Paprocki
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Elene Dimperio	Marylyn Robertson
Eleanor	Richard Robertson
Patsy Galecki	Austin Rose
Tammy Garcia	Rock Sarbacker
Maciej Gondek	Warren Sarbacker
Baby Brendan Haro	Kathy Sassolino
Grace Hensley	Kelly Schlanger
Kathy Johl	Morgan Schlanger
Adele Johnson	Joseph Serwa
Judy Kaner	Heidi Stringham
Greg Komendanchik	Brian Swatek
Justine Kucera	Judy Virgilio
Larry Lemanski	Lillian Wardzala
Karen Lins	Jim Wazorick
Carol Sheahan Marrero	Sue Weber
Angela McClain	Joshua Wilmes
Joseph Mikenson	*recently added

## Faithful Departed

## Military

Col. Stephen Acosta	Marines
Staff Sgt. Lawrence G. Campbell	Air Force
Senior Airman Cory McCambridge	Air Force
Lt. Col. Peter Anderson	Army
Sgt. Kenneth G. DiCristifano	Army
Spec Michael Migliorisi	Army
Pvt. John Cerrone	Marines
PFC Paul J. Lagoda	Marines
PFC Sophia M. Garcia	Marines
Lt. Robert Reynolds	Army
Staff Sgt. Alberto Boy	Marines
Staff Sgt. Natalie Borrini	Air Force
Cpl. Brian Macaluso	Marines
Lnc. Cpl. Meghan Jennings	Marines
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Pvt. Nicolas Casanave	Marines
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Pvt. Matthew Meyer	Army

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Lnc. Cpl. Andrew D. Nordlie	Marines
Luis N. Burciaga	Army
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Lnc. Cpl. Michael Joshua Barajas	Marines
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Airman Kaden Turocy	Air Force
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Private Nicholas Drust, Jr.	Army
Private Jesse J. Mendoza	Army

## SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for July 7, 2024

Mark 6: 1-6a

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B: Jesus in his own hometown. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

DISCIPLES	SABBATH	BEGAN
SYNAGOGUE	HEARD	ASTONISHED
WISDOM	WROUGHT	HIS HANDS
CARPENTER	MARY	JAMES
JUDAS	SISTERS	OFFENSE
AT HIM	SAID	OWN KIN
HOUSE	SICK PEOPLE	AMAZED

## ASTONISHED & AMAZED

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## Parish Weekly Events

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### Sunday, July 7

6:30 PM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 7—12 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

### Monday, July 8

9 AM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 1—6 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

6:30 PM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 7—12 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

### Tuesday, July 9

8:40 AM ST CYP “The Chosen” in the Rectory

9 AM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 1—6 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

6:30 PM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 7—12 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

### Wednesday, July 10

9 AM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 1—6 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

6:30 PM ST CEL “The Chosen” Season 4 in the Fireside Room  
Totus Tuus, Grades 7—12 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

### Thursday, July 11

9 AM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 1—6 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

4 PM ST CEL Food Pantry

6:30 PM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 7—12 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

### Friday, July 12

9 AM ST CEL Totus Tuus, Grades 1—6 in the Church, Gym, and Annex

### Saturday, July 13

9 AM ST CEL Garage Sale in the Parking Lot

## Bulletin Deadlines

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Send in Word to Kim at [khagerty@stguerinparish.org](mailto:khagerty@stguerinparish.org).

**July 28** is due on Wednesday, July 10 at 9 AM

**August 4** is due on Wednesday, July 17 at 9 AM

## Save these Dates!

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- **Garage Sale** Saturday, July 13 in the St. Celestine parking lot
- **Parish Mass for Couples Married 50 Years or More** Sunday, July 21, 9 AM at St. Cyprian and 11 AM at St. Celestine
- **Parish Picnic** Sunday, July 28 at Evans Field in River Grove
- **Taize Prayer Service** Wednesday, August 14 7 PM at St. Cyprian
- **Parish Taste** Saturday, September 7 4—9 PM at St. Celestine
- **Religious Ed** begins September 14 9:30—11:30 at St. Celestine
- **Catechetical Sunday** September 15 11 AM Mass at St. Celestine for catechists and teachers
- **Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass** Sunday, September 15 at 2:30 PM at Holy Name Cathedral
- **OCIA for Teens** begins Tuesday, September 24 at 7 PM at St. Cyprian
- **OCIA** begins Thursday, September 26 at 7 PM at St. Cyprian
- **Family Mass** Sunday, October 6 at 11 AM at St. Celestine
- **Fall Craft Fair** Sunday, October 20 7:30 AM—2 PM at St. Celestine
- **All Souls Day Memorial Mass** Saturday, November 2 at 10 AM at St. Celestine
- **Evening of Reflection** Monday, December 2 at 7 PM at St. Cyprian
- **Taize Prayer Service** Wednesday, December 4 at St. Cyprian
- **Choir Christmas Concert** Sunday, December 8 at 2:30 PM at St. Celestine
- **Jingle Bell Fun Run** Sunday, December 8 at 4 PM at St. Celestine

## Liturgical Ministers

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### Saturday, July 13

#### 4 PM St. Cyprian

Presider

Lector

Eucharistic Minister

#### 5 PM St. Celestine

Presider

Lector

Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Paul Cao

Sr. Carol Meyers

Debbie Hamilton

Fr. Moises Navarro

Betty Blonski

Minnie Reillo

Bob Broz

Pat Strabley

Barbara Miller

Peggy O'Donnell

Carol Gutkowski

Patricia Rinella

### Sunday, July 14

#### 7:30 AM St. Celestine

Presider

Lector

Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Moises Navarro

Michelle Doyle

Bill Lesch

Mikenna Doyle

Maria Mojek

Larry Skelly

Florence Smith

Lynn Schmidt

#### 9 AM St. Cyprian

Presider

Lector

Eucharistic Minister

#### 11 AM St. Celestine

Lector

Eucharistic Ministers

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**St. Cyprian Church** 2601 North Clinton Street, River Grove, Illinois 60171 [stguerinparish.org](http://stguerinparish.org)

**Office Hours:** Summer Hours (May 28—August 25):  
Monday—Friday, 8:30 AM—noon and 12:30 PM—5 PM  
Saturday, 8:30 AM—12:30 PM  
Closed Sunday



**Holy Hour:** First Friday of each month at 3 PM at St. Celestine Church.

**Baptisms:** To schedule, contact Ruthanne Swiatkowski at [rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org](mailto:rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org) or call 708-453-2555 x 5017. Baptisms take place at 12:30 PM on the second and fourth Sundays monthly at St. Celestine and the third Sunday of the month at St. Cyprian. Baptismal Prep classes take place on most first Wednesdays of each month at 7 PM at St. Cyprian; please call the office to sign up for the class.

**Masses:** See cover. **Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3:30 PM at St. Cyprian and 4:15 PM at St. Celestine.

**Weddings:** Engaged couples are encouraged to call a year in advance of a preferred date. The couple must talk to Deacon Mike DeLarco before a wedding date can be reserved. Participation in marriage preparation is essential.

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