

St. JOHN & PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

956 S. 10th Ave., Kankakee, Illinois 60901 815-933-7683

WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

SECOND SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
Peace



Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

God of power and mercy,
you blessed the Americas at
Tepeyac with the presence
of the Virgin Mary of
Guadalupe. May her prayers
help all men and women to
accept each other as
brothers and sisters.

Through your justice
present in our hearts, may
your peace reign in the
world. We ask this through
our Lord Jesus Christ, your
Son, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and
ever. Amen.

Second Sunday of Advent - December 10, 2023



Oración a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Dios de poder y misericordia, que bendijiste a las Américas en el
Tepeyac con la presencia de la Virgen María de Guadalupe. Que sus
oraciones ayuden a todos los hombres y mujeres a aceptarse como
hermanos y hermanas. Por tu justicia presente en nuestros
corazones, que tu paz reine en el mundo. Te lo pedimos por nuestro
Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo y el Espíritu
Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Prepare the way of the Lord! In today's Gospel, we hear about St. John the Baptist appearing in the desert of Judea, proclaiming a baptism of repentance. The Gospel tells us that it was of St. John the Baptist that the prophet Isaiah spoke: "A voice of one crying out in the desert: 'prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.'" Prepare the way of the Lord! We are called to prepare a place for our Lord, to make space in our hearts and lives to receive Christ. As we prepare to celebrate the coming of Christ on Christmas, I encourage you again to be intentional about keeping Christ at the center of your Christmas celebrations. Our Christmas celebrations and customs should point to Christ as Pope Benedict XVI has reminded us: "Let us remember in particular, as we look at the streets and squares of the cities decorated with dazzling lights, that these lights refer us to another light, invisible to the eyes but not to the heart. While we admire them, while we light the candles in churches or the illuminations of the crib and the Christmas tree in our homes, may our souls be open to the true spiritual light brought to all people of good will. The God-with-us, born in Bethlehem of the Virgin Mary, is the Star of our lives!" (December 21, 2005).

As we look forward to Christmas, please pay attention to the Mass schedule. Even though Christmas Eve is a Sunday, Christmas Eve Masses do not start until 4pm. Until then, on that day, it is the Fourth Sunday of Advent, for which we must also attend Mass. For the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Mass will be on Saturday the 23rd at 4:30 pm in English and 6 pm in Spanish as well as on Sunday the 24th at 7 am in Latin; 8 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am in English; and 1 pm in Spanish. For Christmas, Mass will be on Sunday the 24th at 4 pm and 8 pm in English and at 6 pm in Spanish as well as on Monday the 25th at 12 am midnight and 10 am in English; 8 am in Latin; and 12 pm in Spanish.

Let us continue to joyfully prepare for the celebration of the birth of our Savior, whose light of grace and love shine upon us.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

¡Preparen el camino del Señor! En el evangelio de hoy, San Juan Bautista apareció en el desierto de Judea, proclamando un bautismo de arrepentimiento. El Evangelio nos dice que era San Juan Bautista de quien habló el profeta Isaías: "Voz del que clama en el desierto: 'Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos.'" ¡Preparen el camino del Señor! Estamos llamados a preparar un lugar para nuestro Señor, a hacer espacio en nuestros corazones y vidas para recibir a Cristo. Mientras nos preparamos para celebrar la venida de Cristo en Navidad, los animo a que sean intencionales y mantengan a Cristo en el centro de sus celebraciones navideñas. Nuestras celebraciones y tradiciones deben apuntar a Cristo, como nos ha recordado el Papa Benedicto XVI: "En particular, al ver las calles y las plazas de las ciudades adornadas con luces brillantes, recordemos que estas luces nos remiten a otra luz, invisible para los ojos, pero no para el corazón. Mientras las admiramos, mientras encendemos las velas en las iglesias o la iluminación del Nacimiento y del Árbol de Navidad en nuestras casas, nuestra alma debe abrirse a la verdadera luz espiritual traída a todos los hombres de buena voluntad. El Dios con nosotros, nacido en Belén de la Virgen María, es la Estrella de nuestra vida" (21 de diciembre de 2005).

Mientras esperamos la Navidad, presten atención al horario de misas. Aunque la Nochebuena es en domingo, las misas de Nochebuena no comienzan hasta las 4 de la tarde. Hasta entonces, ese día es el Cuarto Domingo de Adviento, por lo que también debemos asistir a misa. Para el Cuarto Domingo de Adviento, la misa será el sábado 23 a las 4:30 pm en inglés y a las 6:00 pm en español y el domingo 24 a las 7:00 am en latín; 8:00 am, 9:30 am y 11:30 am en inglés; y 1:00 pm en español. Para Navidad, la misa será el domingo 24 a las 4:00 pm y 8:00 pm en inglés y a las 6:00 pm en español y el lunes 25 a las 12:00 am medianoche y 10:00 am en inglés; 8:00 am en latín; y 12:00 pm en español.

Continuemos preparándonos con gozo para la celebración del nacimiento de nuestro Salvador, cuya luz de gracia y amor brilla sobre nosotros.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



The candle in the sanctuary is burning
in memory of
DECEASED MEMBERS
OF THE PARISH

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:

BICKFORD: Barbara Ciaccio

BOURBONNAIS GROVE: Lavonne Linneman

BUTTERFIELD COURT: Pat Canfield

HERITAGE WOODS, Manteno: Noralee Sirois

HOMEBOUND: Rose Kaminsky, Rosemary Dicarolo, Bob Granger, Jean Rykiel

LUTHER PLACE: Leola Mulvihill, Thrasilla Janczak

MILLER REHAB CENTER: Rita Morris, Colleen Brown

PRAIRIEVIEW, Danforth: Lyn Lamie

PRESENCE HERITAGE LODGE: Dick Keethers

RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:

SENIOR CARE: David Africano

WESTWOOD OAKS: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant



The Family of St. John Paul II extends our
Deepest Sympathy to the family of

Peter Torchia
Rosalyn Szymborski

May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

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| ~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche | ~ Juan Isaac Solis |
| ~ Alice Ramien | ~ Kathy Call |
| ~ Anabelle Beedle | ~ Kathy Dechenne |
| ~ Abigail Beedle | ~ Kelli Burson |
| ~ Antonio Dominguez | ~ Kevin Metschuleit |
| ~ Betty Mulvihill | ~ Magdalena Salazar |
| ~ Bill Cox | ~ Margaret Bialas |
| ~ Bob Crane | ~ Maria Toledo |
| ~ Bob Sowell | ~ Mia Martin |
| ~ Charlene Russell | ~ Naomi |
| ~ Craig Robinson | ~ Nicky Frey |
| ~ Colleen Kilbride | ~ Nicole & David |
| ~ Daniel Wulffe | ~ Pat Crane |
| ~ Darby Thomas | ~ Patty Lamie |
| ~ Debbie Turner | ~ Rafael Moreno |
| ~ Desiree Grant | ~ Raquel Garcia |
| ~ Donna Paquette | ~ Robert & Kathy Lenzi |
| ~ Elia López | ~ Ron Talamantes |
| ~ Eric Neemay | ~ Russell Westover |
| ~ Eula Mae Goselin | ~ Sharon Burton |
| ~ Gloria Mendez | ~ Steve Schultz |
| ~ Harry Carpenter | ~ Sylvia Martinez |
| ~ Joe Petronio | ~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron |
| ~ José Luis Delgadillo | ~ Tom Sauch |
| ~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis | ~ Vito Scafiezzo |
| ~ Josefina Vazquez | ~ Willis Buchholz |

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of December 9 – December 17

Saturday, December 9

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| 6:15 am | For the Sick People of our Parish |
| 8:00 am | † Christine Genis (<i>Julie Azzarelli</i>) |
| 4:30 pm | † Leslie Morrical (<i>Neena Christiansen</i>) |
| 6:00 pm | Por el Respeto a Todas las Etapas de la Vida
(<i>Pro-Life Commettee</i>) |

Sunday, December 10

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| 8:00 am | † Kenneth C. Emling (<i>Joe & Danute Sheehan</i>) |
| 9:30 am | † Christine Genis (<i>Julie Azzarelli</i>)
† Paul, † Julius & † Christine Marczak
(<i>Vicky Marczak</i>) |
| 11:30 am | † Deceased Members of JP II's CCW (CCW) |
| 1:00 pm | Por Toda la Gente de la Parroquia |
| 3:00 pm | † Ruse Rivard (<i>Greg & Julie Azzarelli</i>) |
| 5:00 pm | For the Sick People of our Parish |

Monday, December 11

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| 7:30 am | † Peter Torchia (<i>JP II's Choir</i>) |
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Tuesday, December 12

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| 5:30 am | Por Toda los Feligreses de la Parroquia |
| 7:30 am | † Leroy Dandurand (<i>Cheryl Heldt</i>) |
| 6:00 pm | † Humberto López (<i>Elia & Nicolás López</i>) |

Wednesday, December 13

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| 7:30 am | † Betty Grant (<i>Her Family</i>) |
| 12:00 pm | † Rev. Rene Dionne (<i>Margaret Joubert</i>) |

Thursday, December 14

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| 7:30 am | † Byron Heldt (<i>Cheryl Heldt</i>) |
| 6:00 am | † Ed Ray Pasel (<i>Betty Azzarelli</i>) |

Friday, December 15

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| 7:30 am | Joann Dresser Neveau (<i>Ron & Pat Dressler</i>) |
| 12:00 pm | Gerald Frechette (<i>Julie & Greg Azzarelli</i>) |

Saturday, December 16

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| 8:00 am | † Phillip Czernik (<i>Paula Czernik & Family</i>) |
| 4:30 pm | † Pam Bierbaum (<i>Koerner Family</i>) |
| 6:00 pm | Por Toda la Gente de la Parroquia |

Sunday, December 17

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| 8:00 am | † Ardelle Norgaard
(<i>Ron & Pat Hansen & Family</i>) |
| 9:30 am | † George Faber (<i>Tim & Pam Ravens</i>)
† Bill Powers (<i>Frances Powers</i>)
† Debra Lee Lystila Linder (<i>Judy Nowman</i>)
† Veronica Carlson (<i>Kathy Dechenne</i>) |
| 11:30 am | † Jim Kresl (<i>Katy Kresl & Decker Family</i>) |
| 1:00 pm | † Evangelina Mendez
(<i>Gabriel & Lupita Mendez</i>)
† Jaime Lopez (<i>Jose Lopez</i>) |
| 3:00 pm | † Patricia Nelson (<i>Greg & Julie Azzarelli</i>) |
| 5:00 pm | † Jenora Demers (<i>Don Demers</i>) |

*** The Intention of this list is to pray for the seriously ill. Please help us
keep the list updated by calling us with any changes. Thank You!

La intención de esta lista es rezar por quienes están seriamente
enfermos. Ayúdenos a mantenerla actualizada llamándonos. ¡Gracias!

PRAYER LINE INFORMATION: For your prayer requests, please
call **Ann Wheeler at 815-932-7938** or, email **Barb Jepson at
wbjepson69@gmail.com**

ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY



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Monday—Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

HORARIO DE OFICINA
Lunes—Jueves 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Viernes 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Please call 815-933-7683 + Extension.
Call the parish office and PRESS the # button
In case of a death or a near death emergency
and you need a priest.

Marque 815-93397683 + Extensión.
Llame al número y presione la Tecla # en caso
de una emergencia de muerte y necesita un
sacerdote.

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Kankakee**



PARISH COUNCIL

MEMBERS

- Julie Busken - Chairperson
- Cathy Langlois - Co-Chair
- Deb Groth - Secretary
- Gabriel Mendez
- Bob Kerness
- Maria Pizano-Calderon
- Uriel Garcia
- Pedro Gonzalez
- David Montague

FINANCE COUNCIL

MEMBERS

- Mark O'Connor- President
- Cheryl Walsh - Secretary
- Alicia Saldivar
- Amy Anderson
- Mickey Kreissler
- Tom Martin
- Ryan Carter

OFFERING/OFRENDA

December 2 & 3, 2023

\$11,470.00

- 168 Envelopes/35 - On Line Donors (\$1,418) -

(This information is being provided to keep you updated)

Monthly School Subsidy to BMCS: \$6,279.00

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,451.00

Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost/Sobres: \$435

Our goal each week is/Meta Semanal: \$10,962.00

THANK YOU GRACIAS

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY/SÁBADO

English - 4:30 pm Vigil Mass / Español - 6:00 pm Misa de Vigilia

SUNDAY/DOMINGO

English - 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Español - 1:00 pm / Latin - 3:00 pm

Sunday Vespers - 6:30 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

English - Monday-Friday at 7:30 am, Saturday 8:00 am

Español - Martes 6:00 pm, 1er Viernes del Mes

Latin - Wednesday, Friday & First Saturday at 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS (Conference Room)

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm / Tuesday/Thursday 5:00-5:45 pm

Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a way of life

In gratitude for hosting the CCW Christmas Party 2023, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge and salute:

Sheryl Scanlon & Teri O'Connor

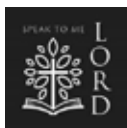
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. December 11

Monday of the Second Week of Advent

RI - Is 35:1-10

G - Lk 5:17-26



Tues. December 12

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

RI - ZEC 2:14-17

G - LK 1:26-38

Weds. December 13

Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

RI - Is 40:25-31

G - Mt 11:28-30

Thurs. December 14

Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

RI - Is 41:13-20

G - Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 15

RI - Is 48:17-19

G - Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 16

RI - Sir 48:1-4, 9-11

G - Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent

RI - Is 61:1-2A, 10-11

R2 - 1 Thes 5:16-24

G - Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

THIS WEEK AT JPII

December 11 - 17

Monday, December 11

12:00-5:00 pm Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

5:30 pm CCW Christmas Dinner

6:00 pm Práctica del Coro de Niños

7:00 pm Novena - Virgen de Guadalupe

Tuesday, December 12

5:00 am Virgen de Guadalupe - Mañanitas y Misa

9:00 am Lisieux-Clothing Closet

10:00 am **Fatima Rosary Group**

11:00 am Living Word Bible Study

5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 - 7:30 pm Faith Formation Program

6:00 pm Virgen de Guadalupe - Misa de las Rosas

7:00 pm Virgen de Guadalupe - Fiesta

7:00 pm Living Word Bible Study

7:30 pm Class - Sacrament of Initiation for Adults

Wednesday, December 13

6:00 - 7:30 pm Faith Formation Program

Thursday, December 14

5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 pm **Vigil Mass - Immaculate Conception**

6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice

6:30 am Clase - Sacramentos de Iniciación

7:00 pm Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, December 15

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center

9:30 am Home School Gathering

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, December 16

8:30 am Arts & Environment - Christmas Tree

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream

3:30 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Posada - At Bishop McNamara

Sunday, December 17

9:00 am Estudio Bíblico - Hombres

10:30 am Blood Pressure Check

6:30 pm Vespers

FUTURE EVENTS - DATES

Dec. 18 Parish Council Meeting

Posada - Holy Family Center

Dec. 19 Giving Tree Pick-Up

Posada - Holy Family Center

Dec. 22 Arts & Environment - Christmas Nativity



*The family of St. John Paul II
Welcomes you!
Guadalupe G. Moreno
Baptized on November 11, 2023*

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Classes are the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the church, please call to register; Baptisms are on the 3rd Saturday of the month or after Mass.

Weddings: Marriage Preparation begins at least 6 months in advance; please schedule a meeting with Fr. Matt for details (before finalizing other wedding plans).

SACRAMENTOS

Bautismo: Llame a la oficina parroquial y regístrese para las pláticas pre-bautismales; los bautismos son el 4o sábado del mes, después de misa o en otra fecha disponible.

Bodas: La preparación comienza por lo menos 6 meses antes; Programe una cita con el Padre Matt para más detalles (antes de finalizar otros planes de su boda).

"Prepare your heart to receive Jesus"

"Reconciliation is the fastest way to change your life"

CCW CHRISTMAS PARTY

2023



YOUNG ON FIRE

ANNUAL SERVICE HOLIDAY PROJECT
Hats, Mittens, Gloves & Scarfs



Please donate items throughout December.

They will be distributed at the Good Shepard Clothing Closet on January 5th.

Favor de donarlos durante diciembre.

Serán distribuidos en el Armario de Ropa el 5 de enero.

Collection containers will be located at the back of church, on the counter in the front foyer, and in our parish office.

Habrà contenedores atrás de la iglesia, en el mostrador del pasillo y en la oficina parroquial.

*Not only is there a need for youth sizes, this year there is a great need for men and women's sizes.

Thank you so much!

*No solo se necesitan para niños, este año hay una gran necesidad de medidas para adultos.

Muchas Gracias!



Fiesta de la Bienaventurada Virgen María de Guadalupe

— 12 de Diciembre —

Parroquia Católica San Juan Pablo II
907 S. 9th Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

12 de Diciembre
(Martes)

5:00 am Mañanitas y Misa

6:00 pm Misa de las Rosas

*Personas vestidos de San Juan Diego y la Virgencita presentarán flores en la procesión de entrada

7:00 pm Obra, Bailables y Cena

*Rifa de una Tíma de la Virgencita 55/boleto



La Novena: Del 3 al 11 de Diciembre; 7:00 pm Rosario

*8 de Dic. Misa y Rosario

*10 de Dic. Rosario durante la procesión guadalupana con velas

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, December 16 Sábado, 16 de Diciembre		Sunday, December 17 Domingo, 17 de Diciembre				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Ryan Carter	Marcela Andrade Karina Toledo	Richard Hemza	Thomas Martin	Annie Syrstad	Jorge Flores Miriam Gaytán	Julie Koerner
USHERS JUICERS	Laura Carter	Virginia Ayala Juana Moreno María Guerrero Eloísa Ayala	Robert Thrasher	John Lilienthal Kerri Lilienthal Robert Thrasher Mary Westover	Beth Arocha Robert Thrasher	Patricia Martínez Eva Muñiz Yohana Hernández Aydee Palma	Robert Thrasher
COMMUNION MINISTERS			Julie Yarno <i>Catherine Langlois</i>	Judith Smead <i>Charlotte Nolte</i>		Gabriel Mendez Celene Valtierra <i>Guadalupe Mendez</i>	
GREETER				Cynthia Martin			
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Flor Rojas	Kathy Bessette	Deb Groth & Sharon Jackson	Pedro González	Daniel Varela Fidel Villagrán	Need Volunteers
ALTAR SERVERS	Need Volunteers	Jade Carrera Diaz Abilene Franquiz Miguel Sanchez	Need Volunteers		Sofia Moreno- Rosas Mia Moreno-Rosas	Yael Calderon Yazeni Calderon Alex Hernandez	Need Volunteers

WEEKDAY MINISTERS / MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Dec. 11 - 16	Rose Bailey	Mickey Kreissler
Martes 12	Víctor Bolívar	Patricia Martínez

Linens/Lienzos: Week of December 11: Julie Busken;
Weeks of December 17 & 24: Mickey Kreissler

KANKAKEE DEANERY
COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
Saturday, January 6, 2024

JOY

in January

11:00 AM Registration
12:00 PM Luncheon

Kankakee Country Club
2011 Cobb Blvd.
Kankakee, IL

Cost is \$35.00 per Person
Please make checks Payable to:
St. John Paul II CCW

JP2 OUTREACH

and St. George's
Peace and Justice
Ministry

Giving Tree

Please pick 1
or more tags to
support a child
in need

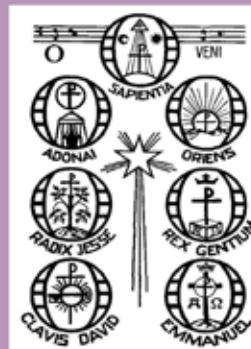
Return to Giving Tree
in church by Dec. 10th

Gifts need to have tag
with them when
returned to church

ADVENT ANTIPHONS

WITH VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 6:30pm—7:30pm



Adoration; Brief Meditations on the Antiphon Titles, each followed by a verse of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*; Vespers (Evening Prayer); Benediction; Cookies and Hot Cocoa

To focus on Jesus as Christmas draws near, we will meditate on who He is and His 7 titles: Wisdom • Lord • Root of Jesse • Key of David • Dayspring • King of the Nations • Emmanuel

DONUT SUNDAY

Sunday, December 17

After 9:30 am Mass

Come and join us!!

Hosted by the Kindness Krew



Azzarelli Outreach Clinic

Could you spare 3 hours each month to help at the Azzarelli Clinic? If so, we would love to discuss volunteer opportunities with you. In order to continue our mission of serving the uninsured and underinsured, we need the following volunteers:

- Translators
- Front desk Receptionists
- LPN (licensed)
- RN (licensed)
- Medical Assistants or EMTs
- Physicians
- Nurse Practitioners (certified)



FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Vespers & Benediction - Every Sunday - 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm: Vespers (Evening Prayer) consisting of praying with psalms and scripture. It ends with Benediction with the Blessed



Every Monday/Cada Lunes
12:00 - 5:00 pm
First Friday / Primer Viernes
8:00 am- 6:00 pm
Nocturnal Adoration/Adoración Nocturna
First Saturday / Primer Sábado
8:00 pm-2:00 am

Devociones Mensuales en Español

- 1er sábado: Adoración Nocturna a las 8:00 pm
- 1er sábado: Rosario después de misa de 6:00 pm
- 2do sábado del mes: Hora Santa de La Divina Misericordia después de misa de 6:00 pm
- Devociones al Sagrado Corazón: Después de misa del primer viernes del mes de 7:00 pm.

THE LIVING WORD BIBLE STUDY

LIVESTREAM: Gospel of Matthew
Monday - Friday 10:00 am & Saturday 9:00 am

Facebook: St. John Paul II

- The Living Word Bible Study Kankakee

YouTube: The Living Word Bible Study Kankakee

IN PERSON: Tuesday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (1st Letter of John)
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (The Book SIRACH)

JOHN PAUL II
CATHOLIC PARISH

Rosary Group

TUESDAYS
at 10:00 a.m. in Church



CATHOLIC
PRO-LIFE
community

CREATED TO LOVE. COMMITTED TO LIFE

Please contact Cathy Langlois with any question at
815-545-2184 / Email: cathyslanglois@gmail.com



Carmelites

Seeking a Deeper Spiritual Life?

Prayerfully consider attending a Lay Carmelite Community meeting.

Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 9:00 am
JP2 Conference Room

All are Welcome!!

More Info? Call/Text 815-592-1181 Theresa Doehring



Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859



Rosary Making

Fabricación de Rosarios

Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, December 18

Lunes, 18 de Diciembre

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 23

Sábado, 23 de Diciembre

8:30 - 10:00 am

JP2 Conference Room

For Questions Call:

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

Words of Wisdom Book Club

Friday, January 12 at 6:00 pm
(In the Holy Family Hall)

December's Book Selection -
Vision with God

By: Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen

Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859

Prayer Shawl



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VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR December 11-17

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- 12 Fr. Zygmunt Ostrowski S.Ch.
- 13 Fr. Tomasz Sielicki S.Ch.
- 14 Fr. Mirosław Stepien S.Ch.
- 15 Sr. Patricia Skowronski OSF, Sr. Rose Marie Surwilo OSF, Sr. Faith Szambelanczyk OSF
- 16 Fr. Thomas Logue
- 17 Pope Francis

Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only through prayer can they persevere and bear fruit.

Pope Francis

VOCATION PRAYER

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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