

St. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

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WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 7, 2024

*May the splendor
of your majesty,
O Lord, we pray, shed its
light upon our hearts, that
we may pass through the
shadows of this world
and reach the brightness
of our eternal home.
Through our Lord Jesus
Christ, your Son, who
lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, God, for ever and
ever,
Amen.*

*Que el esplendor de tu
majestad, Señor, derrame
su luz sobre nuestros
corazones, para que
podamos atravesar las
sombbras de este mundo y
alcanzar el resplandor de
nuestro hogar eterno. Por
nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu
hijo, que vive y reina
contigo en la unidad del
Espíritu Santo, Dios, por
los siglos de los siglos,
Amén.*



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today, on the Feast of the Epiphany, we recall the Magi following the star to a house in Bethlehem where they found the child Jesus with the Blessed Mother. Like the Wise Men, we are on a journey, and our destination, the purpose of our lives, is found in the child who rested in the arms of His mother Mary: Jesus Christ, our Lord. Jesus is the one who brings joy and peace to our souls. In Bethlehem, the Magi found Him. They found the King of kings in a humble home. They found God who made His dwelling among us. God has entered our world and our history so that we may enter into an eternal friendship with Him. Led by the star of the Church, we find Christ in the Mass. The same Jesus who born in the manger in Bethlehem is placed upon the altar at Mass. In the flesh, Jesus lied in the manger so that one day He would offer Himself on the cross, for no greater love does one have than this but to lay down one's life for one's friends (see Jn 15:13). The wood of the manger led to the wood of the cross. He is the perfect offering, and He extends this perfect and loving offering of Himself to us in the sacrament of His body and blood in the Holy Eucharist, calling us constantly into friendship with Him. It is in our friendship with Christ where we find strength, hope, love, and joy.

Even though the Wise Men saw a baby, they were looking upon God. As we look upon bread and wine at Mass, we see Christ. Like the Wise Men who prostrated themselves before the baby Jesus and did Him homage, opening their treasures and giving Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, let us adore Christ in the Holy Eucharist and open the treasures of our hearts and our lives to the Lord. It is a temptation to treat the Eucharist as something ordinary. It is anything but ordinary. At every Mass, heaven pours out Love Himself upon the altar. May the words on our lips and in our hearts during Mass express our love for God and implore His mercy. May we spend time after receiving Jesus enjoying this most sacred gift. May we sit before the tabernacle or before the monstrance during adoration, spending time with our humble and loving Savior. The Wise Men show us that adoration is the response to the gift of God's presence. Let us recognize His presence among us, and let us adore Him!

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Hoy es la fiesta de la Epifanía, cuando recordamos a los Reyes Magos siguiendo la estrella hacia una casa en Belén, donde encontraron al niño Jesús con la Santísima Madre. Como los Reyes Magos, estamos en un viaje y nuestro destino, el propósito de nuestras vidas, se encuentra en el niño quien

descansa en los brazos de Su madre, María: Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. Él es quien trae alegría y paz a nuestras almas. En Belén, los magos encontraron al Rey de reyes en un hogar humilde, al Creador del universo cuidado por su madre. En Belén, encontraron a Dios quien puso su morada entre nosotros. Dios ha entrado a nuestro mundo y a nuestra historia para que podamos vivir en una amistad eterna con él.

Guiados por la estrella de la Iglesia, encontramos a Cristo en la misa. El mismo Jesús que nació en el pesebre de Belén está presente en la misa. En la carne, el niño Jesús descansó en el pesebre para un día ofrecerse a sí mismo en la cruz, porque “no hay amor más grande que dar la vida por sus amigos” (vea Jn 15, 13). La madera del pesebre conduce a la madera de la cruz. Él es la ofrenda perfecta y se entrega a nosotros en el sacramento de su cuerpo y sangre en la Sagrada Eucaristía, llamándonos constantemente a una amistad con él. Es en la amistad con Cristo donde encontramos fuerza, esperanza, amor y alegría.

Aunque los Reyes Magos miraron a un bebé, reconocieron a Cristo, el mesías. Cuando miramos el pan y el vino en la misa, reconocemos a Cristo Jesús. Como los Reyes Magos que se postraron ante el niño Jesús y lo adoraron, abriendo sus cofres y ofendiéndole regalos de oro, incienso y mirra, adoremos a Cristo en la Sagrada Eucaristía y abramos los cofres de nuestros corazones y nuestras vidas al Señor. Es una tentación tratar la Eucaristía como algo ordinario. Pero no lo es. En cada misa, el cielo derrama Amor mismo sobre el altar. Que las palabras en nuestros labios y en nuestros corazones durante la misa expresen amor por Dios e imploren su misericordia. Pasemos un ratito después de recibir a Jesús en comunión disfrutando este regalo tan sagrado. Que nos sentemos ante el sagrario o la custodia, pasando tiempo con nuestro Salvador en adoración. Los Reyes Magos nos enseñan que la adoración es la respuesta al don de la presencia de Dios. ¡Reconozcamos su presencia entre nosotros y adorémoslo!

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



The candle in the sanctuary is burning
in memory of
RON BROSSAU
By: Teddy & Family

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:

BICKFORD: Barbara Ciaccio

BOURBONNAIS GROVE: Lavonne Linneman

BUTTERFIELD COURT: Pat Canfield

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RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:

SENIOR CARE: David Africano

WESTWOOD OAKS: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

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

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

*** 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!

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of January 6 – 14

Saturday, January 6

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| 8:00 am | Vocations to the Carmelite Community
<i>(Mystical Sta Carmelite Community)</i> |
| 9:00 am | Mother Perpetua OCD <i>(Martha Aune)</i> |
| 4:30 pm | † Tim Endres <i>(Judy Endres)</i> |
| 6:00 pm | Por Toda la Gente de la Parroquia |

Sunday, January 7

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| 8:00 am | † Chris Genis <i>(St John Paul II CCW)</i> |
| 9:30 am | † Anna Mae & Duane Boyd
<i>(Sandra L. Girard)</i> |
| | † Heather Jonas <i>(Charlotte Nolte)</i> |
| 11:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 1:00 pm | † Luis Jimenez <i>(Daisy Hernández)</i> |
| | † Rodolfo Canales Piña, † Elvira Piña Osvaldo
& † Pedro Canales Muñoz <i>(Lucy Canales)</i> |
| 3:00 pm | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 5:00 pm | For All the Sick People of the Parish |

Monday, January 8

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| 7:30 am | † Harold & Nellie Wulff <i>(Caroline A. Emling)</i> |
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Tuesday, January 9

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 6:00 pm | Por las Personas Enfermas de la Parroquia |

Wednesday, January 10

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 12:00 pm | † Victor Aune <i>(Martha Aune)</i> |

Thursday, January 11

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
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Friday, January 12

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 12:00 pm | † Joshua Boudreau <i>(Bob & Barb Boudreau)</i> |

Saturday, January 13

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| 8:00 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 4:30 pm | † Jenora Demers <i>(Don Demers)</i> |
| 6:00 pm | Por Toda la Gente Enferma de la Parroquia |

Sunday, January 14

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| 8:00 am | Chris Genis <i>(Annie)</i> |
| 9:30 am | † Rusty Westover <i>(Birdie, Candy & Char)</i> |
| 11:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 1:00 pm | † Cornelio García Escobar <i>(Rosario Lira)</i> |
| 3:00 pm | For All the People of the Parish |
| 5:00 pm | For All the Sick People of the Parish |



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

Robert Sowell
Ronald Cheffer

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

ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY



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OFFICE HOURS

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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Hearts of Hope Youth Group: Michelle & Ken Barrie 815-382-8130

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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
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- Ryan Carter

OFFERING/OFRENDA

December 30 & 31, 2023

\$9,557.02

- 198 Envelopes/30 - On Line Donors (\$1,458) -

(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 decorating our church for the Christmas celebration, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge and salute:

Art & Environment Group

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la Corresponsabilidad como forma de vida

En agradecimiento por decorar nuestra iglesia para la celebración de Navidad, reconocemos agradecemos y saludamos a:

Grupo de Arte y Medio Ambiente

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. January 8

The Baptism of the Lord

R1 - Is 42:1-4, 6-7
G - Mk 1:7-11

Tues. January 9

R1 - 1 Sm 1:9-20
G - Mk 1:21-28

Weds. January 10

R1 - 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20
G - Mk 1:29-39

Thurs. January 11

R1 - 1 Sm 4:1-11
G - Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 12

R1 - 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a
G - Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 13

R1 - 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19;
10:1
G - Mk 2:13-17

Sunday, January 14

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

R1 - 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19
R2 - 1 Cor 6:13c
-15a, 17-20
G - Jn 1:35-42



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).

THIS WEEK AT JPPI

January 8 - 14

Monday, January 8

12:00 - 5:00 pm	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
6:00 pm	Coro de Niños (Español)
7:00 pm	Reunión del Grupo Carismático (Iglesia)

Tuesday, January 9

9:00 am	Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center
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
7:00 pm	Living Word Bible Study
7:30 pm	Class - Sacrament of Initiation for Adults

Wednesday, January 10

5:00 pm	Clergy Meeting
6:00 - 7:30 pm	Faith Formation Program

Thursday, January 11

5:00 pm	Confessions
6:30 pm	Adult Choir Practice
6:30 pm	Clase - Sacramentos de Iniciación/Adultos
6:30 pm	Growing in Faith Together - GIFT
7:00 pm	Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, January 12

9:00 am	Food Pantry - East Campus
9:00 am	Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center
10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
6:00 pm	Book Club

Saturday, January 13

12:00 pm	Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream
3:30 pm	Confessions
4:00 pm	Clases Pre-Bautismales (Si se necesitan)
7:00 pm	Hora Santa de la Divina Misericordia

Sunday, January 14

9:00 am	Estudio Bíblico (Hombres)
1:00 pm	Clases Pre-Bautismales (Si se necesitan)
6:30 pm	Vespers

FUTURE EVENTS

Jan. 15	Parish Council Meeting
Jan. 17	Baptism Class (English)
Jan. 20	Baptisms (English) (If Needed)
Jan. 21	FFP Mass for 1st and 2nd Graders
Jan. 22	CCW Deanery Meeting
	Finance Council Meeting
Jan. 27	Bautismos (Español)
Feb. 1	Pro-Life Meeting
Feb. 2	First Friday Adoration
	Missionary Lay Group Meeting
Feb. 3	Carmelite Lay Group Meeting
	Adoración Nocturna



SERRA CLUB of Dupage County



*Fostering and Promoting Vocations
to the Priesthood and Religious Life.*

Mark Your Calendar
Guests are welcome

RSVP by Jan. 8th to: D. Thurman d21thurman@gmail.com or 630-642-2618

Please Denote any Special Dietary Requirements when RSPVing to D. Thurman above.

Speaker: Rev. David Mowry, S.T.L., DMin., Assistant Professor, Waud Chair of Homiletics, Department of Biblical Studies and Homiletics



Father David is a Roman Catholic priest of the Diocese of Joliet in Illinois and ordained on May 18, 2013. He has spent years sharing his enthusiasm and joy as a preacher, retreat leader, and speaker. He currently serves as an instructor in the Department of Biblical Studies and Homiletics at the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary. He has B.A. (Philosophy and Catholic Studies), University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN; S.T.B., M.Div., S.T.L., University of St. Mary of the Lake. Fr. David was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Joliet in 2013. He has served as a Parochial Vicar of Immaculate Conception Parish in Elmhurst (2013-2016) and St. Mary Immaculate Parish in Plainfield (2016-2018), as d Director of Ongoing Formation for Priests of the Diocese of Joliet (2017-2019) and had been a member of the Catholic Association of Teachers of Homiletics and the Academy of Homiletics.

Fr. David was born July 11, 1987 to Joan and Keith and was baptized on Oct. 25 of the same year. After a few years in Elmhurst and a move to the Washington D.C. area, his family returned to Illinois and settled in Glen Ellyn. He attended parochial school at his home parish of St. Petronille and graduated from there in 2001. He was ordained to the diaconate on June 2, 2012, and served as a deacon at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Addison.

Evening Program

- 6:00 pm - Rosary
- 6:20 pm - Mass Celebrant: Fr. David Mowry
- 7:00 pm - Fellowship in the Social Hall
- 7:20 pm - Dinner and Welcome
- 7:30 pm - Start of both in person & Zoom Meeting
- 8:00 pm - Guest speaker: Fr. David Mowry

DINNER MEETING DETAILS

Thursday, January 11, 2024

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

480 S Park Blvd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

20 +C + M + B +24

The numbers are for the current year & the letters C, M, B (Initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. Also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, which stands for "May Christ bless the house").

The "+" signs represent the cross, a reminder that it is through Christ's Passion, death and resurrection that all grace flows and that it will be our family's willingness to share each other's crosses throughout the year that will be the greatest source of blessing for all who abide in and enter our homes.

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who live here and all who visit. May we be blessed with health, kindness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of your law. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May your 2024 be truly blessed!

20 +C + M + B +24

Los números corresponden al año en curso & las letras C, M, B (Iniciales de los nombres tradicionales de los tres Reyes Magos: Caspar, Melchor y Baltasar. También abrevian las palabras latinas *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, que significan "Que Cristo bendiga la casa").

Los signos "+" representan la cruz, un recordatorio de que es a través de la Pasión, muerte y resurrección de Cristo que fluye toda gracia y que será la voluntad de nuestra familia de compartir las cruces de los demás a lo largo del año la mayor fuente de bendición para todos los que habiten y entren en nuestros hogares.

Señor Dios del cielo y de la tierra, que revelaste a tu Hijo unigénito a todas las naciones por la guía de una estrella. Bendice esta casa y a todos los que viven aquí y a todos los que la visitan. Que seamos bendecidos con la salud, la bondad de corazón, la mansedumbre y el cumplimiento de tu ley. Llénanos de la luz de Cristo, para que nuestro amor mutuo llegue a todos. Te lo pedimos por Cristo, nuestro Señor. Amén.

¡Que su Año 2024 sea realmente bendecido!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, January 13 Sábado, 13 de Enero		Sunday, January 14 Domingo, 14 de Enero				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Danute Sheehan	Teresa López José López	Anna Marie Wheeler	Thomas Martin	Rick Ramirez	Bertha López Elizabeth Suárez	Rose Bailey
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GREETER				Joyce Raspolich			
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Flor Rojas	Kenneth Klipp	Sharon Jackson	Pedro González	Rogelio Canchola	Need Volunteers
ALTAR SERVERS	Need Volunteers	Abilene Franquiz Miguel Sánchez Michelle Tetlalmatzi	Need Volunteers	Elliot Powers Bretton Quick Need Volunteer	Damian & Aaron Ramirez Need Volunteer	Yael Calderón Yazeni Calderón Alexander Gaytán	Need Volunteers

WEEKDAY MINISTERS / MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Jan. 8 - 13	Sharon Jackson	Flor Rojas
Martes 26	Serafín López	Ema Elvir

Linens/Lienzos: Week of January 7: Diane Devine



Spend time with the Lord
Weekly Kankakee County
Adoration Opportunities

Monday
12-5pm
St. John Paul II
Kankakee

Wednesday
6-7:00am
St. Joseph
Manteno

Friday
6-7:00am
St. Joseph,
Manteno

Tuesday
6-7am
6-8pm
St. Joseph
Manteno

3-5pm
St. Rose Chapel
Kankakee

1-6pm
St. Joseph
Bradley

Thursday
6-7am
St. Joseph
Manteno

9:45-11am
St. Patrick
Mokence

3-6pm
Maternity BVM
Bourbormais

First Friday
St. John Paul II
8am-6pm

Herscher/Irwin / Goodrich
8am-3:00pm
Location Varies

St. Joseph Bradley
9-10am



Los Tres Reyes Magos
Visitarán nuestra parroquia

El domingo 7 de enero
después de misa de 1:00 pm.

Traerán regalos a los niños
que asistan a misa el sábado,
6 o el domingo 7, de enero.

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)



Bishop McNamara

**GRADE
SCHOOL
NIGHT**

5:30-6:30PM

FRIDAY
January
12
2024

ADMISSION
IS FREE FOR
0-8TH
GRADES!

**LIGHTS
OUT!
WEAR BLACK!**

LIGHTS OUT
ON
BROOKMONT



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

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IN PERSON: Tuesday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (1st Letter of John)
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Rosary Making
Fabricación de Rosarios
Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, January 15

Lunes, 15 de Enero

5:30 - 7:00 pm

JP2 Conference Room

Saturday, January 6

For Questions Call:

Sábado, 6 de Enero

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

8:30 - 10:00 am

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Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Where: John Paul Parish – Settles Center, 956 S. 10th Ave Kankakee

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Thursday, January 18, 2024
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- 8 Fr. Tomy Chellakandathil C.M.I. Fr. Jose Kadukunnel C.M.I. Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal Mathai C.M.I. Fr. Thomas Theneth C.M.I.
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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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