

# St. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

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

WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Influenced by our patron,  
St. John Paul II, we are a  
faith-sharing family of  
Catholic believers  
who bring Jesus to everyone  
and everyone to Jesus,  
through discipleship, outreach,  
and the Holy Eucharist.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 24, 2023

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

St. John Paul II Church  
907 S. 9th Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

### 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  
Primer Viernes 7:00 pm

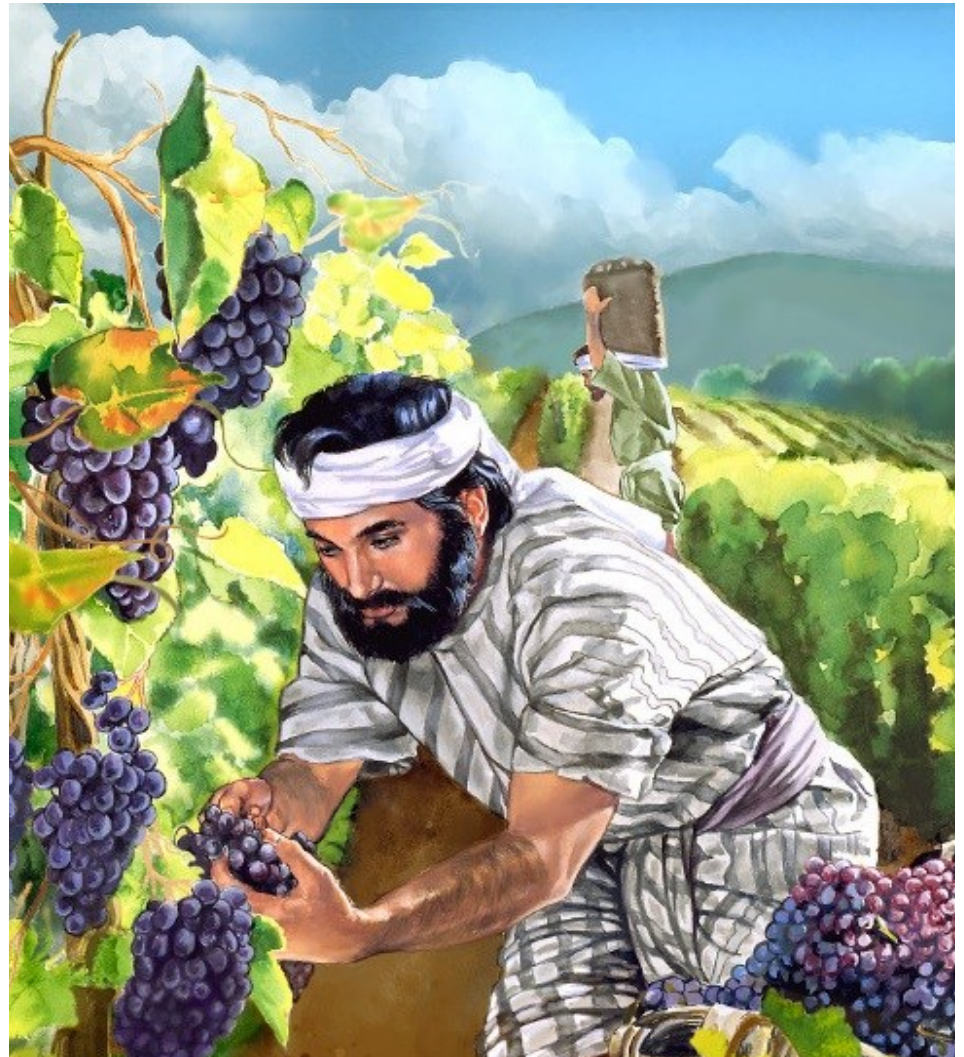
Latin - Wednesday & Friday 12:00 pm  
First Saturday at 9:00 am

## CONFESSIONS

Conference Room

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

Tuesday/Thursday 5:00-5:45 pm



**“Thus, the last will be first,  
and the first will be last.”**

***“De igual manera, los últimos serán los primeros,  
y los primeros, los últimos”***

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

October is the month of the most holy rosary. It is a familiar and powerful devotion. When we repeat the Hail Mary on each bead while meditating on a particular mystery of our faith, we pray with Mary who is the model disciple who pondered in her heart all that Jesus said and did. Mary, the mother of Jesus, desires to bring us closer to Him. No human person has loved and known Jesus better than His own mother, and is that not the desire of every Christian, to know and love Christ? When the beloved disciple stood at the foot of the cross, our Lord gave Mary to him and to all disciples when He said, "Behold your mother." Mary is our mother who helps us to stay close to her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. In difficult times, she is a source of comfort and reminds us to trust in God and have hope. I encourage you to rekindle your love for Mary. The more we come to know her and love her, the more she directs us to her Son. So during this month of the most holy rosary, pray the rosary as individuals, families, and even as small groups. Carry the rosary with you, having that reminder that we never walk alone but have the support of our Lord as well as of Mary and the angels and saints.

Also, October 4th is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi; so we will have the blessing of animals and pets next Sunday, October 1st, at 6pm. The month of October is not only dedicated to the holy rosary but also to life. Let us pray throughout the month of October that human life be revered, respected, and protected from conception until natural death.

We are blessed to receive the gift of eternal life and sanctifying grace through the sacraments of the Church. Preparation for Christian Initiation for Adults begins this week. If you are an adult who desires to become Catholic and/or receive the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation) this Easter, it is not too late to join.

Let us stay close to our Lord, the Blessed Mother, and one another, and let us continue to keep one another in prayer.

In Christ,  
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Octubre es el mes del rosario. Es una devoción familiar y poderosa. Cuando repetimos el Ave María en cada cuenca mientras meditamos en un misterio particular de nuestra fe, oramos con María que es la discípula modelo que reflexionaba en su corazón todo lo que Jesús decía y hacía. María, la madre de Jesús, desea acercarnos a Él. Ninguna persona humana ha amado y conocido a Jesús mejor que su propia madre, y ¿no es ese el deseo de todo cristiano, conocer y amar a Cristo? Cuando el discípulo amado estuvo al pie de la cruz, nuestro Señor le entregó a María a él y a todos los discípulos cuando dijo: "Ahí tienes a tu madre". María es nuestra madre que nos ayuda a estar cerca de su Hijo, nuestro Señor Jesucristo. En tiempos difíciles, ella es una fuente de consuelo y nos enseña a confiar en Dios y a tener esperanza. Los animo a reavivar su amor por María. Cuanto más la conocemos y la amamos, más nos dirige a su Hijo. Entonces, durante este mes del rosario, récenlo individualmente, en familia y en grupos. Lleven el rosario con ustedes, teniendo ese recordatorio de que nunca caminamos solos, sino que contamos con el apoyo de nuestro Señor, de María y de los ángeles y los santos.

Además, el 4 de octubre es la fiesta de San Francisco de Asís. Por eso la bendición de los animales y mascotas será el próximo domingo, 1° de octubre, a las 6 de la tarde. El mes de octubre no sólo está dedicado al santo rosario sino también a la vida humana. Oremos durante todo el mes de octubre para que la vida humana sea venerada, respetada y protegida desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural.

Tenemos la bendición de recibir el don de la vida eterna y la gracia santificante a través de los sacramentos de la Iglesia. Esta semana comienza la preparación para la Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos. Si eres un adulto que desea hacerse católico y/o recibir los sacramentos de iniciación (Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación) esta Pascua, no es demasiado tarde para unirse.

Mantengámonos cerca de nuestro Señor, de la Santísima Madre y unos de otros, y sigamos recordandonos unos a otros en oración.

En Cristo,  
Padre Mateo



The candle in the sanctuary is burning  
in memory of  
**DOLORES O'CONNOR**  
By: Her Children

### HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

**ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:** Rosalyn Szymborski  
**BICKFORD:** Lavonne Linneman, Barbara Ciaccio  
**BUTTERFIELD COURT:** Colette Cheffer, Pat Canfield  
**HERITAGE WOODS, Manteno:** Noralee Sirois  
**HOMEBOUND:** Rose Kaminsky, Rosemary Dicarlo, Bob Granger, Jean Rykiel  
**LUTHER PLACE:** Leola Mulvihill, Thrasilla Janczak  
**MILLER REHAB CENTER:** Rita Morris  
**PRAIRIEVIEW, Danforth:** Lyn Lamie  
**PRESENCE HERITAGE LODGE:** Dick Keethers, John Hagan  
**RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:**  
**SENIOR CARE:** David Africano  
**WESTWOOD OAKS:** Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

### PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche	~ Joe Petronio
~ Alice Ramien	~ José Luis Delgadillo
~ Anabelle Beedle	~ Josefina Vazquez
~ Abigail Beedle	~ Kathy Call
~ Antonio Dominguez	~ Kathy Dechenne
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Kelli Burson
~ Bill Cox	~ Kevin Metschuleit
~ Bob Crane	~ Lizbeth Martínez
~ Bob Sowell	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Charlene Russell	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Celia Villagomez	~ Mia Martin
~ Craig Robinson	~ Naomi
~ Daniel Wulffe	~ Nicky Frey
~ Darby Thomas	~ Nicole & David
~ Dave Decker	~ Pat Crane
~ Deacon George A.	~ Patty Lamie
~ Deacon Rocco	~ Rafael Moreno
~ Debbie Turner	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Desiree Grant	~ Robert & Kathy Lenzi
~ Donna Paquette	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Elia López	~ Russell Westover
~ Ema Elvir	~ Sharon Burton
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Steve Schultz
~ Gloria Mendez	~ Sylvia Martinez
~ Harry Carpenter	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Humberto Garnica	~ Willis Buchholz

\*\*\* 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

## MASS INTENTIONS

Week of - September 23 - October 1

### Saturday, September 23

8:00 am † Jim Buckley (*His Siblings*)  
4:30 pm † Thomas O'Connor (*Maureen & Family*)  
6:00 pm † José González (*María Rubí González*)

### Sunday, September 24

8:00 am † Leslie Morrical (*Monica Ruder*)  
9:30 am † George Faber (*Dennis & Joella Schriefer*)  
Donna Sue Taylor (*Charlotte Nolte*)  
11:30 am † Jim Kresl (*Katy Kresl & Decker Family*)  
1:00 pm † Fernando Villegas (*Gabriel & Lupita Mendez*)  
† Nicolás Pérez (*María Angela Pérez*)  
† Luis Antonio Martínez (*Elba Rosas*)  
† María Torres Quintino (*Antonio Chaca*)  
† Dagoberto Villagrán (*Lupita Méndez*)  
3:00 pm Heather Boudreau (*Robert & Barbara Boudreau*)  
5:00 pm For All the Sick People of JP11

### Monday, September 25

7:30 am Brother Damian (*Sharon & Mickey*)

### Tuesday, September 26

7:30 am † Doris Uribe (*Betty Azzarelli*)  
6:00 pm Por Toda la Dente Enferma de JP11

### Wednesday, September 27

7:30 am For All the Sick People of JP11  
12:00 pm † Travis Boudreau (*Bob & Barbara Boudreau*)

### Thursday, September 28

7:30 am † Edwin Corra (*Mike & Teresa Mahoney*)

### Friday, September 29

7:30 am † Therese Gleeson (*Mary Causer*)  
12:00 pm Deceased Members of the Boudreau Family  
(*Bob & Barbara Boudreau*)

### Saturday, September 30

8:00 am † Barbara Messina (*Francis & Sandra Girard*)  
4:30 pm † Jenora Demers (*Don Demers*)  
6:00 pm Por Toda la Gente Enferma de JP2

### Sunday, October 1

8:00 am Chris Genis (*Sheryl & Mike Scanlon*)  
9:30 am † Kenneth C. Emling (*Bob & Jo Posing*)  
† Thomas Martin (*Betty Azzarelli*)  
11:30 am † Jim Kresl (*Katy Kresl & Decker Family*)  
1:00 pm † Fernando Villegas (*Gabriel & Lupita Mendez*)  
† Nicolás Pérez (*María Angela Pérez*)  
† Luis Antonio Martínez (*Elva Rosas*)  
3:00 pm For All the Sick People of JP11  
5:00 pm For All the Sick People of JP11

### Christian Initiation of Adults

*Are you an adult who is... thinking about becoming Catholic?  
In need of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy  
Eucharist?*

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and becoming a member of the Church, contact the parish office for more information and speak to Fr. Matt, 815.933.7683, ext. 402. Classes will meet weekly, starting September 26th and ending in May. Sacraments will be received in the spring. Come learn about the faith and prepare to grow closer to Christ, receive His grace through the sacraments, and live out the faith as an active member of the Church.

# ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY



**FOLLOW US**

**JPII MEDIA LINKS**

Website:  
[jp2kankakee.org](http://jp2kankakee.org)

Facebook &  
YouTube:  
[St. John Paul II Kankakee](#)



**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.

**Phone: 815-933-7683 Fax: 815-933-7692**

**Pastor/Párroco:** Very Rev. Matthew Pratscher Ext. 402 [frmatt@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:frmatt@jp2kankakee.org)  
**Parochial Vicar/Vicario:** Rev. Roy Jacob CMI Ext. 403 [frroy@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:frroy@jp2kankakee.org)  
**In Residence:** Rev. John Horan Ext. 412 [frhoran@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:frhoran@jp2kankakee.org)

**DEACONS:** David Marlowe, Greg Clodi, Rocco Busato & George Arocha

**Business Manager:** Kathy Griffiths Ext. 406 [kgriffiths@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:kgriffiths@jp2kankakee.org)  
**Parish Secretary:** Lisa Valadez Ext. 410 [lvaladez@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:lvaladez@jp2kankakee.org)  
**Bulletin Editor\*\*\*:** Silvia Esparza Ext. 409 [sesparza@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:sesparza@jp2kankakee.org)  
**Music Director:** Christopher Wilcox Ext. 408 [cwilcox@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:cwilcox@jp2kankakee.org)  
**Voluntaria en Formación Espiritual y Consejería Hispana:**  
Hna. Silvia Tejada Ext. 404  
**Building & Grounds:** Rende Langlois 815-693-0253 [ontop60@msn.com](mailto:ontop60@msn.com)

**FAITH FORMATION OFFICE: 815-932-7911**

**FFP Coordinator:** Sister Ext. 420  
**FFP Desk** Ext. 419

**OUTREACH**

**Outreach Coordinator:** Teri O'Connor 815-693-9152 [oconnor.teri@gmail.com](mailto:oconnor.teri@gmail.com)  
**Azzarelli Clinic Main** Ext. 414  
**Azzarelli Outreach Clinic Alt.** Ext. 415 [azzarelliclinic@yahoo.com](mailto:azzarelliclinic@yahoo.com)  
**Azzarelli Clinic Director:** Brooke Futterer Ext. 416  
**Food Pantry:** Nancy Godin Ext. 417  
**Lisieux Pastoral Center:** Kathy Wade Ext. 418 815-928-6093 & 815-939-2913  
**Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet:** Teri O'Connor 815-693-9152  
**Hearts of Hope Youth Group:** Michelle & Ken Barrie 815-382-8130

**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

September 16 & 17, 2023

**\$10,075.00**

- 146 Envelopes/33 - On Line Donors (1,543) -

(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**

# ONLINE giving

**Please consider signing up for Online Giving...  
it's easy and convenient:  
Go to <https://jp2kankakee.weshareonline.org>**

*\*\*\*Please email bulletin requests to the above e-mail at least one week before the weekend requested.*

## Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a way of life

In gratitude for organizing and serving in the celebration of Mexico's Independence Day, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge and salute:

### **Hispanic Ministry & All the Volunteers**

Fomentando la Corresponsabilidad como forma de vida

*En agradecimiento por organizar y servir en la celebración de la independencia de México, reconocemos y saludamos con gratitud al:*

### **Ministerio Hispano & Todos los Voluntarios**

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Mon. September 25

RI - Ezr 1:1-6  
G - Lk 8:16-18



Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels

RI - Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab  
G - Jn 1:47-51

### Tues. September 26

RI - Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20  
G - Lk 8:19-21

### Weds. September 27

Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest  
RI - Ezr 9:5-9  
G - Lk 9:1-6

Saturday, September 30  
Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

RI - Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a  
G - Lk 9:43b-45

### Thurs. September 28

RI - Hg 1:1-8  
G - Lk 9:7-9

Sunday, October 1

RI - Ez 18:25-28  
R2 - Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5  
G - Mt 21:28-32

### Friday, September 29

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Classes are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month in the church, please call to register; Baptisms are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 4<sup>o</sup> 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 JPII

September 25 - October 1

### Monday, September 25

12:00-5:00 pm	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
5:30 pm	CCW Deanery Meeting
5:30 pm	Rosary Making Committee
6:00 pm	Finance Council Meeting
7:00 pm	Reunión del Grupo Carismático

### Tuesday, September 26

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
7:00 pm	Living Word Bible Study

### Wednesday, September 27

6:00 - 7:30 pm	Faith Formation Program
----------------	-------------------------

### Thursday, September 28

5:00 pm	Confessions
5:30 pm	Práctica del Coro de Niños
6:30 pm	Growing in Faith Together - GIFT
6:30 pm	Choir Practice
7:00 pm	Encuentros Juveniles

### Friday, September 29

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

### Saturday, September 30

8:30 am	Rosary Making Committee
11:00 am	Bautismos - Español
12:00 pm	Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream
3:30 pm	Confessions

### Sunday, October 1

9:00 am	Estudio Bíblico - Hombres
6:30 pm	Vespers

### FUTURE EVENTS / DATES

Oct. 4	CCW - Living Rosary
	FFP Class /1st Year Confirmation Meeting
Oct. 5	Pro-Life Meeting
Oct. 6	First Friday Adoration
	Misa del Primer Viernes
	Missionary Lay Group
Oct. 7	Carmelite Lay Meeting
	1st Saturday - Latin Mass
	Nocturnal Adoration
Oct. 10	FFP Class /2nd Year Confirmation Meeting



### Altar Server Training:

**Tuesday, October 24**  
from 7:30 - 8:30 pm  
**Saturday, October 28**  
from 9 am - 10 am

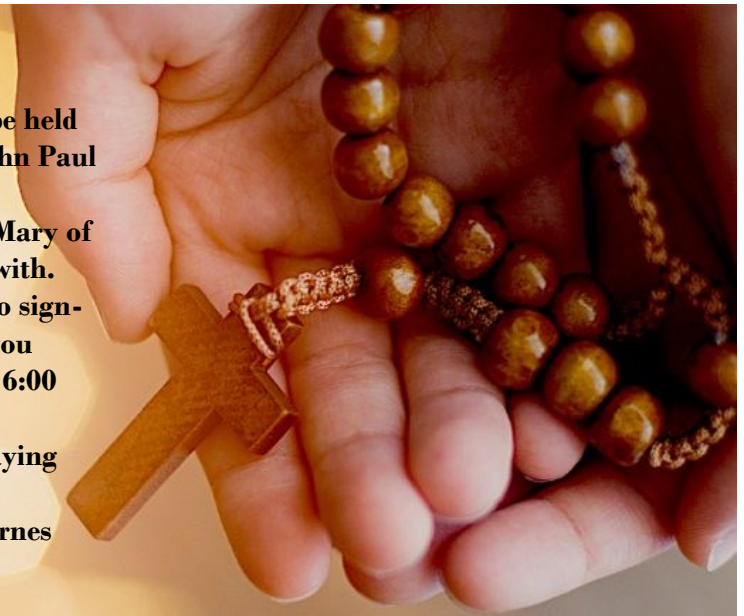
# CCW LIVING ROSARY

The Living Rosary, organized by the CCW, will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at St. John Paul II Church.

We are in need of many people to lead one Hail Mary of the rosary in the language you are most comfortable with. You are welcome to bring a friend along. There are no sign-ups. You will be instructed where to stand/sit when you come. In order to start on time, please arrive around 6:00 p.m. so we may show you where to stand/sit.

It would be wonderful to “pack the church” praying the rosary together. Please plan to join us!

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy McBarnes (815) 263-3905 or Annie Syrstad (815) 954-1142.




**CCW BUS TRIP**  
*The Shrine of Christ's Passion*  
**Saturday, Oct 14, 2023**  
**8:30 am**  
 Cost \$25  
 (includes box lunch)

Sign up at back of church  
 Adult women of parish only


CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION  
**PLAID & KHAKI BALL**  
 2023  
 WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE

Reserve your place **TODAY**  
 SEPTEMBER 30TH | 5:30 PM  
 THE WESTIN CHICAGO, LOMBARD  
 COCKTAILS | DINNER | LIVE AUCTION  
**Tickets are going Fast**

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO BID ON AMAZING EXPERIENCES



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BUY YOUR TICKETS, VISIT [CEFOUJET.ORG/GET-INVOLVED/ATTEND](http://CEFOUJET.ORG/GET-INVOLVED/ATTEND)



**Society of the Little Flower**  
 Announces "St. Thérèse Family Homecoming™" at The National Shrine and Museum of St. Thérèse, 8501 Bailey Road, Darien, Illinois

We are honored to welcome the **relics of St. Thérèse** and her parents, **Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin**, from **September 17 through October 1, 2023** open to the public from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, daily.

This special visit is sponsored by the Society of the Little Flower, which is dedicated to promoting the spirituality and message of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, also known as the Little Flower. The relics will be available for public veneration during this time, giving visitors the opportunity to deepen their faith and connect with this holy family.

The Society of the Little Flower spreads devotion to the Little Flower and her spirituality, as well as supports the Carmelite ministries throughout world.

Visit us at [www.littleflower.org/relicsvisit](http://www.littleflower.org/relicsvisit) or call (800) 621-2806.

For more information, (administrators and press only):  
 Mary T. Lambert, International Development Director/Marketing  
[mary.lambert@littleflower.org](mailto:mary.lambert@littleflower.org)

*El movimiento apostólico Encuentros Juveniles*

Y LA PARROQUIA DE SAN AMBROSIO TE INVITAN AL

**ENCUENTRO # 20 PARA HOMBRES DE 18-99 AÑOS**

DEL 28 DE SEPT. AL 01 DE OCTUBRE 2023



¿Quieres sentir la paz y felicidad verdadera? Ven a vivir esta experiencia única en tu vida!

Recepción: Jueves 28 de Sept. a las 5 pm. Casa Mariana 6336 S Kilbourn Ave Chicago Il. 60629

Clausura: Domingo 01 de Octubre, 4 pm San Ambrosio 1771 Burry Circle Dr. Crest Hill, Il.

Informes :  
 Jesus 708-212-6725  
 Fernando 779-456-0188  
 Ismael 312-614-9350  
 Isalas 203-501-2467



Have You Heard?  
 WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL!

The Church needs healing, and the world needs Jesus. The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith—the Eucharist.



[eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org)



¿Has oído?  
 ¡ESTAMOS EN MEDIO DE UN AVIVAMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO NACIONAL!

La Iglesia necesita sanación, y el mundo necesita a Jesús. El Espíritu Santo nos invita a volver a la fuente y cumbre de nuestra fe: la Eucaristía.



[avivamientoeucaristico.org](http://avivamientoeucaristico.org)

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY MINISTERIO	Saturday, September 30 Sábado, 30 de Septiembre		Sunday, October 1 Domingo, 1o de Octubre				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm/ Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm/ Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Rose Bailey	Israel Lira Elia López	Richard Hemza	Kathryn Dummer	Rick Ramirez	Rogelio Canchola Elizabeth Suárez	Danute Sheehan
USHERS JUICERS	David Montague	Sanjuana Valadez María Medina Angelica Serna Susana Pérez Kathy Teclamar	Catherine Langlois Christopher Ryan	Raymond Colevris Deb Groth Charlotte Nolte Janice Shenk	Beth Arocha Need Volunteer	Ricardo Esparza, Verónica Calvillo, Eulalio & Sanjuana Valadez	Sharon Jackson Mickey Kreissler
WELCOME				Alberta Blanchette			
SACRISTAN	Karen Miller	José & Vanessa López	Kenneth Klipp	Deb Groth & Sharon Jackson	Pedro González	José & Vanessa López	Need Volunteers
ALTAR SERVERS	Need Volunteers	Jade Carrera Diaz Abilene Franquiz Miguel Sanchez	Need Volunteers	Julian Cortez Pedro Vazquez	Aaron & Damian Ramirez	Mariana Cabrales Litzy Campos Avila Alexa Campos Avila	Need Volunteers

### WEEKDAY MINISTERS / MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Sep. 25-30	Anna Marie Wheeler	Kenneth Klipp
Martes 26	Serafín López	Daniel Varela

Linens/Lienzos: Weeks of Sep. 24 & Oct. 1st: Mickey Kreissler



**We need Extraordinary Ministers for all Masses. Please call the office to register.**

**Necesitamos Ministros Extraordinarios para todas las Misas. Por favor, llame a la oficina para registrarse.**



JPII Kindness Krew here! It's that time of year again where we are preparing for our annual Oktoberfest which will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Proceeds from this event go directly to the parish. We are excited that Lupe Carroll from The Voice will be with us again this year followed by music by DJ Leonel Jaramillo. We will once again have a silent auction, live auction, 100 square boards with fabulous prizes and the ever so popular wine toss!

We are once again in search of silent auction baskets, live auction items, gift cards of any kind and denominations, wine, liquor and any other donations. Gift cards may be purchased through the Script program which benefits our parish as well.

Any support would be greatly appreciated! Silent auction baskets and donations may be dropped off at the church office marked "Oktoberfest". It is due to the generous donations and support from ministries like yours and the parishioners of our parish that this event is successful!

**Thank you in advance for your support! We hope to see all to see all of you at Oktoberfest 2023!**

Any questions, please email me at [mtalamantes1@yahoo.com](mailto:mtalamantes1@yahoo.com) or text or call (815) 592-2215.

**SAVE THE DATE... JPII'S ANNUAL**

**Oktoberfest**

*Saturday, October 21, 2023*

**SPONSORED BY KINDNESS KREW  
PROCEEDS GO TO JPII PARISH**



**OKTOBERFEST "WISH LEAVES" BASKETS  
ARE LOCATED AT THE CHURCH DOORS.  
PLEASE PICK A LEAF AND RETURN THE  
DONATION BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8.**

# FAITH FORMATION



**Every Monday/Cada Lunes**  
12:00 - 5:00 pm

**First Friday of the month**  
Primer viernes del mes  
8:00 am- 6:00 pm

**Nocturnal Adoration/Adoración Nocturna**  
First Saturday of the month/Primer Sábado del mes  
8:00 pm-5:00 am

## 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 Sacrament.



## Devociones Mensuales en Español

- 1er sábado: Adoración Nocturna a las 8:00pm
- 1er sábado: Rosario después de misa de 6:00pm
- 2do sábado del mes: Hora Santa de La Divina Misericordia después de misa de 6pm.



**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](mailto:cathyslanglois@gmail.com)

## THE LIVING WORD BIBLE STUDY

LIVESTREAM: 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 (John)  
7:00 pm—8:00 pm (Hebrews)  
PLACE: Conference Room

## Seeking a Deeper Spiritual Life?



Carmelites

Prayerfully consider attending a Lay Carmelite Community meeting.

Join us any first Saturday of the month.  
Our next meeting is on

**Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 9:00 am**  
JP2 Conference Room

**All are Welcome!!**

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

## Growing in Faith Together - GIFT -



**Thursday, September 28**  
6:30 pm  
*Holy Family Center*

*The Chosen*  
Session 3 -  
"Physician, Heal Yourself"

Questions: Call Laurie  
Mau 815-933-8859

## Rosary Making

**Fabricación de Rosarios**

Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

**Monday, September 25**

Lunes, 25 de Septiembre

5:30-7:00 pm

**Saturday, September 30**

Sábado, 30 de Septiembre

10:00 am

JP2 Conference Room



JP2 Conference Room

For Questions Call:

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

## Words of Wisdom Book Club

**Friday, October 13 at 6:00 pm**  
(In the Holy Family Center)

**October's Book Selection -  
Night**

By: Elie Wiesel

Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859

## Prayer Shawl

*Ministerio Manto de Oración*

Every Friday / Cada Viernes

10:00am

Settles Center Coat Room

En el salón del gimnasio





# OUTREACH MINISTRIES



**KANKAKEE  
CATHOLIC  
FOOD PANTRY**  
341 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee  
**FRIDAYS 9:00-11:00am**

815-933-7683 Ext. 417

Each week we feed anywhere from 100 to 150 families at the Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry of St. John Paul II Parish. The cost of food has been growing on everyday staples that we give to our families. It costs us approximately \$1,000 a week to feed our community needing help. We are looking for donations of things like peanut butter, jelly, cereal, boxed stuffing, jell-o, pudding, pasta, granola bars, and pancake mix. **DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH**

Monetary Donations:

- ◆ Online giving at [jp2kankakee.org](http://jp2kankakee.org)
- ◆ By Mail to:

Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry  
956 S. 10th Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901



## Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

341 N. St. Joseph Ave. Kankakee, IL 60901



**Week of September 25-29**

For details please call **815-928-6093** and listen to the entire message!

**Hours are posted on the front door.**

*Para detalles llame al 815-928-6093 y escuche todo el mensaje.*

*Los horarios están en la Puerta.*

## OUR SHEPHERD'S CLOTHING CLOSET

Located at Lisieux Outreach Center  
371 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee

**Open Fridays**  
to choose clothing  
9:00 – 11:00 am



### “Making a Plan to Honor Life’s Milestones”

#### Honor life milestones through an estate

**plan:** Spring is a time when we celebrate significant life milestones like graduations, weddings, and Mother’s Day. One simple way you embrace these milestones and look to new chapters of life with peace of mind is by creating a will. Using FreeWill, you can create your will for free and make a plan that provides for your loved ones, stewards your assets, and honors your faith and values.

The Diocese of Joliet partners with FreeWill to support our St. John Paul II Parish community in completing this important task.

**Visit [FreeWill.com/DioceseOfJoliet](http://FreeWill.com/DioceseOfJoliet) to learn more and get started.**



### Telephone Reassurance Program

The Telephone Reassurance Program (TRP) is a friendly caller program that matches volunteer callers to older adults in our community. The Program connects older adults and volunteers through weekly telephone conversations that foster connection and reduce social isolation and feelings of loneliness. Telephone Reassurance Participants and Volunteers develop person-to-person supportive relationships that support and help combat loneliness and feelings of isolation of the older adult.

We are actively seeking individuals who are interested in participating in the Program.

To receive calls, you must be 60+, live in Grundy, Will, or Kankakee counties, and want to make a social connection over the phone.

To volunteer for the Telephone Reassurance Program, we ask volunteers to serve 3-6 hours a week. As a volunteer, you will receive pre-service orientation and training. All volunteers must pass federal and state background checks. You can volunteer from the comfort of your own home.

To learn more about this social and rewarding opportunity, please contact Crystal Del Rio at 815-221-6020 / [trp@cc-doj.org](mailto:trp@cc-doj.org)

# IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD



St. Rose Chapel Friends can once again enjoy the big social event of the year - our ANNUAL SPIRIT OF ST. ROSE CASH BACK. Old friends can visit together, enjoy a lovely meal and have a pleasant evening of entertainment and fun, and maintain the Chapel as well!

**Friday, November 3, 2023**

**6:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL  
187 S. INDIANA AVE., KANKAKEE, ILLINOIS**

**ENTERTAINMENT**

*"A Taste Of The Silhouettes" featuring Jerry Downs*

**ALSO AVAILABLE FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT:**

Raffles • Big 6 Wheel • 50/50 • Basket Auctions • Tip Boards • Black Jack  
*plus feel free to get a table and play cards*

**Tickets: \$125.00**

*Ticket entitles 2 guests to Buffet Dinner and Domestic Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks and chance to win:*

**1st Prize - \$4,000 • 2nd Prize - \$1,000 • 3rd Prize - \$250  
plus 14 additional prizes totaling \$2,750**

Prizes based on 300 tickets sold • Need not be present to win

**PROCEEDS ARE FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF ST. ROSE CHAPEL  
CALL 815-592-9189 or 815-932-6432 (days) FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PURCHASE TICKETS  
Tickets available at ADCRAFT PRINTERS and LOVE CHRISTIAN STORE in Kankakee**



## Medal of Honor Chaplains, and Veterans, to be Honored

### at November 18<sup>th</sup> Memorial Mass

On Saturday, November 18, at 10:30 A.M., the Knights of Columbus Council 10637 of St. Jude parish, Joliet, will once again be sponsoring a Memorial Mass in honor of two Catholic chaplains, Father Vincen Capodanno and Father Emile Kapaun. Prior to the Mass, at 9:00 A.M., there will be a "Patriotic Rosary" said for the people of the United States.

Both, Father Capodanno and Father Kapaun, were posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for their heroic actions in war time. Both are "Servants of God" whose causes are before Rome.

All Catholics throughout the Diocese of Joliet are invited to this Mass. Military veterans and their families are especially welcome.

A Healing Service will be held immediately after Mass, for those seeking physical, emotional and spiritual healing from the Lord.

Questions can be forwarded to Jim Kubalewski, 815-272-3512, or to Bernie Lovati, 847-989-0951

## 2023 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

Where: St. Margaret Mary Church, Main St., Herscher, Illinois

When: October 14, 2023 – ROSARY WILL BEGIN AT 12:00 NOON



PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR OUR NATION.

Please bring a lawn chair.

For more information, please contact:

Cindy Gagnon – (815) 933-4077; Rhonda Berns – (815) 426-5015; Kathy Mell – (815) 928-8988

(In case of inclement weather, we will gather in the church hall.)



## L'SOM MINISTRIES VICTIMS OF ADDICTION

### Acknowledging National Recover Month

Families are hurting, individuals are lost and in this epidemic of addiction, there is nowhere to turn. Come and join us for an open mic session of sharing, support and fellowship. Addiction has taken too many of our sons, daughters, parents and friends leaving behind family who are bewildered and hurting. Drug and alcohol addiction has a collateral damage effect, and we need to discuss it openly in order to find hope and healing.

**We need YOUR voice! We welcome YOUR story!**

**Galatians 6:2** – Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ.

L'SOM Ministries / Victory House of Kankakee County

### Open Mic Forum

**If your family has been affected by addiction in anyway, come join this relevant discussion**

**A time to share  
A time to receive**

**Light refreshments offered**

**Bring a friend**

### LISIEUX CENTER

**3:00 PM**

**SEPTEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

371 N. St. Joseph Ave

Kankakee, IL 60901

815-549-1356

For more information

# FROM OUR DIOCESE

## VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR

September 25 - October 1

Remember these men and women in your daily prayers - priests, Deacons, Seminarians and Women & Men Religious in the Diocese of Joliet:

- 25 Sr. Rose Mary Pint OSF, Sr. Diane Przyborowski OSF
- 26 Fr. Clive Otieno, Fr. John Ouper
- 27 Sr. Mary Patrick Salm OSF, Sr. Lynn Schafer OSF, Sr. Rosemarie Stewart OSF
- 28 Sr. Julie Walsh OSF, Sr. Sylvia Wehlisch OSF, Sr. Georgene L. Wilson OSF, Sr. Mary Lou Wirtz OSF
- 29 Fr. J. Agustin Ortega Ruiz, Fr. William O'Shea
- 30 Fr. Michael Groth, Fr. Gregory Alberts
- Oct. 1 Sr. Ella Binz OSF, Sr. Christine Bowman OSF, Sr. Ellen Mary Brenner OSF

*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

Prayer for Vocations by Pope Francis

Please patronize our advertisers who patronize our church.

<p><b>Todd Arseneau Insurance Agency Inc.</b> TODD ARSENEAU, AGENT 1250 N. Convent St. Rte. 45 • Bourbonnais, IL 60914 Bus. 815.937.9600 Fax 815.937.5204 todd.arseneau.18go@statefarm.com <i>The greatest compliment you can give is a referral</i></p>	<p><b>ROY BROTHERS AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR</b> Complete Automotive Repair from Oil Change to Overhaul - Foreign &amp; Domestic 855 S. Schuyler, Kankakee <b>815-933-5353</b></p>	<p> <b>Larry D. Serene &amp; Associates</b> Larry Serene • Deanna Carlson Webb Attorneys at Law One Dearborn Square, Suite 429, Kankakee, IL 60901 Office: 933-8715 • Res. 932-9798 • lserene762@aol.com</p>	<p><b>Catholic Cemeteries Diocese of Joliet</b> All Saints Cemetery &amp; Mausoleum Mt. Calvary Cemetery Maternity BVM Cemetery • Interior &amp; Exterior Mausoleum Crypts • Ground Burial Space (Graves) • Cremation Niches • Memorial Customization <b>708-449-6100</b> www.dioceseofjoliet.org/cemeteries</p>
<p> Experience the Bickford Difference! Bickford of Bourbonnais 100 Jones Dr. • 815-936-9500 enrichinghappiness.com</p>	<p>To advertise in this space call <b>815-932-6432</b></p>	<p><b>RICHARD S. NICKLAS</b> D.D.S. - General Dentistry 497 S. Wall Street Kankakee, IL 60901 <b>(815) 932-6251</b></p>	<p>To advertise in this space call <b>815-932-6432</b></p>
<p><b>KANKAKEE SPRING &amp; ALIGNMENT</b> AUTO-TRUCK-TRAILER SPRINGS &amp; SUSPENSION PARTS &amp; SERVICE 88 W. ISSERT DRIVE • KANKAKEE, IL 60901 815-932-6718 FAX 815-932-3492 CHARELL C. TURNER, Manager</p>		<p><b>Sandy Girard, Broker</b> 685 Main St. NW, Bourbonnais, IL 60914 Fax: 815.933.9326 • Home: 815.933.7943 realtorsandyg@comcast.net sandygirard.com 815.592.0567</p> 	
<p><b>McCOLLY Rosenboom Real Estate</b> mccolly.com</p> <p><i>Leading REAL ESTATE COMPANIES IN THE WORLD</i></p> <p>Equal Housing Opportunity</p>			

To advertise your business in the bulletin, please call 815-932-6432 today!

<p><b>SCANLON COLLISION SPECIALISTS, INC.</b> Sandblasting - Frame Straightening Semi-Tractor Repairs Complete Auto Body Repair <b>815/426-2178</b> 9392 W. Rte. 115 Herscher, IL 60941</p>	<p><b>JOE'S AUTOMOTIVE</b> Big &amp; Small We Do Them All!  560 S. Washington Kankakee, IL 60901 815-937-9281</p>	<p><b>ADVANTAGE COPIER</b> <b>815-933-5597</b> Sell &amp; Service: Copiers, Faxes &amp; Printers Tom Clocksin • Kevin Clocksin Visit Our Copy Center 401 S. Dearborn Ave., Kankakee</p>	<p><b>HOLOHAN HEATING &amp; SHEET METAL, INC.</b> Air Conditioning Sales &amp; Service 575 W. Seneca Ave., Kankakee <b>(815) 932-7711</b></p>
<p>To advertise in this space call <b>815-932-6432</b></p>	<p>"Our Future Depends On Our Quality Today" <b>NETHERTON'S BODY SHOP</b> Specializing in Collision &amp; Painting <b>WILLIAM NETHERTON</b> 2081 W. Station St., Kankakee, IL 60901 <b>815-933-4191</b></p>	<p><b>GRAND OPENING - GROCERIES EL GALLO</b> 596 S. Harrison • Kankakee • elgallo3@gmail.com • 815-304-5375 BAJO NUEVA ADMINISTRACION - UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT <b>OFRECEMOS SERVICIOS DE</b> • Todo tipo de abarrotes / all kinds of groceries • Carniceria • Enotes • Fin de semana ofrecemos: Carnitas • Tamales • Chicharron • Menu</p>	<p><i>Let's Make It Happen...</i> <b>Peoples Bank</b> of Kankakee County PeoplesBankDirect.com <b>(815) 936-7600</b></p> 
<p><b>Fisher-Swale-Nicholson Eye Center</b> We help you see your best</p>	<p><b>Solutions In Sight</b> Laser and Surgery Suite <b>815-932-2020</b></p>	<p><b>Courtyard Estates of Herscher</b> Independent and Assisted Living 100 Harvest View Lane Herscher, IL 60941 <b>815-426-2000</b> courtyardestates.net/herscher</p>	<p><b>352 Brown Blvd., Bourbonnais, IL 60914 • fisherswale.com</b></p>

# FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM / DOCTRINA

WELCOME STUDENTS AND FAMILIES TO OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM 2023-2024!  
Our first class was on September 12 & 13.

¡BIENVENIDOS ESTUDIANTES Y FAMILIAS A NUESTRA CLASE DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FE 2023-2024!  
Nuestra primer clase fue el 12 & 13 de septiembre.



**LIFE IS A remarkable JOURNEY**

**Westwood**  
100 Westwood Oaks Ct  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 935-3273

**Bourbonnais Grove**  
85 E. Burns Road  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 935-3332

Independent Living | Assisted Living | Memory Care  
For more information visit [riversideseniorlife.org](http://riversideseniorlife.org)

**RIVERSIDE**  
SENIOR LIFE COMMUNITIES

**Randy Van Fossan, FSS, LUTCF**  
Financial Agent  
1307 N. Convent St., Ste. 1  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914-1089  
randy.vanfossan@countryfinancial.com  
(815) 932-3000

**Ana Rodriguez**  
M-F 9am - 1pm  
Se habla español  
ana.mallawaarachchi@countryfinancial.com  
(815) 932-3000

**COUNTRY FINANCIAL**

AUTO | HOME | LIFE | BUSINESS | RETIREMENT

**RESIDENTIAL ROOFING SPECIALIST**  
LICENSED • INSURED  
BONDED  
• Tear Offs • Reroofs  
Free Estimates

**Haynes Construction, Inc.**  
[www.haynesconstructiononline.com](http://www.haynesconstructiononline.com)  
**(815) 932-5259**

**JEFF CHIERO**  
Parishioner

**No Appointment Necessary**

**Quick Lane**  
TIRE & AUTO CENTER

**New Hours**  
7am-6pm Mon-Fri  
8am-3pm Sat

**Oil & Filter Change & Free Tire Rotation \$54.95**

**Offer Includes: Motorcraft Oil & Filter Change • Free Tire Rotation**  
Up to 5 quarts of Motorcraft oil. Offer valid on most vehicles. Taxes and disposal fee extra. See Service Advisor for details. Offer valid with coupon.

**Court Street Ford** 558 Latham Dr., Bourbonnais, IL 815-802-2100

To advertise in this space call **815-932-6432**

To advertise in this space call **815-932-6432**

**Clancy-Gernon**  
Funeral Homes Inc.  
www.clancygernon.com  
815-932-1214  
KANKAKEE • BOURBONNAIS • MANTENO • ST. ANNE

**When you buy from a mom or pop business, you are not helping a CEO buy a third vacation home**

You are helping a little girl get dance lessons, a little boy get his team jersey, a mom or dad put food on the table, a family pay a mortgage, or a student pay for college.

**OUR CUSTOMERS ARE OUR SHAREHOLDERS, AND THEY ARE THE ONE THAT WE STRIVE TO MAKE HAPPY.**

**Thank you for supporting the little man!**

**YOUR FRIENDS FROM ADCRAFT PRINTERS**

**Rivers Area CREDIT UNION**  
Keeping Your Financial Future Afloat

**JOIN TODAY**  
All people living in or working in **Kankakee, Will & Iroquois Counties** can now join our credit union!

**2 Rivers Area Credit Union**  
296 W. Jeffery St. • Kankakee, IL 60901  
815-935-2270 • [www.2riversacu.com](http://www.2riversacu.com)  
**Se Habla Español**

**GA FINANCIAL ADVISORS, INC.**  
George Arocha, CFP®, ChFC, CLU  
Financial Planning • Retirement Planning • Estate Planning  
**815-936-7200 • Bourbonnais, IL**  
Securities and advisory services offered through Madison Avenue Securities, LLC (MAS); member FINRA & SIPC. MAS and GA Financial Advisors, Inc. are not affiliated companies.

**HOME REPAIR & SERVICES**  
Offered By **Hemza Enterprises**  
3rd Generation of Master Carpentry & Remodeling  
815-935-8897 • Cell 815-383-3243

**KITCHEN & BATH MAKE OVERS**  
Reasonably Done  
**HEMZA ENTERPRISES**  
815-935-8897  
Cell 815-383-3243

**Julio's family restaurant**  
A Family Place

**NOW OPEN SUNDAYS**  
7am - 2pm  
Mon, Wed, Thur 6am-3pm  
Tues - Closed  
Fri, Sat 6am-8pm

**Breakfast All Day**

Bring this add in on Sundays and buy one soft drink and get another one free  
2005 W. Court St. • Kankakee, IL  
**815-523-7696**

**Knights of Columbus Council 745**

**ASK...  
... how you can become a Knight!**

**Call 815-932-2031 for more information**

**Adcraft Printers, Inc.**  
[www.adcraftprinters.com](http://www.adcraftprinters.com)  
**815.932.6432**  
1355 W. Jeffery • Kankakee, IL  
**KEEP IT LOCAL!**  
Why shop out of town? Patronizing local businesses benefits the entire community.