

St. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

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

WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give

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

Third Sunday of Lent - March 8, 2026
III Domingo de Cuaresma - 8 de Marzo, 2026



*"Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;
give me living water, that I may never thirst again."*

*"Señor, tú eres el Salvador del mundo.
Dame de tu agua viva para que no vuelva a tener sed."*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thirst. It is a powerful craving often used to describe what drives or motivates someone. As we spend time in the desert of Lent, we ask ourselves today: For what do we thirst? What drives us? What quenches our thirst? In our first reading, the Israelites grumbled and thirsted for water, which was satisfied when Moses miraculously drew water from the rock. In our Gospel, Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well under the midday sun, telling her, "Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The water that Jesus has to give is not simply important for surviving or momentarily satisfying one's thirst. Rather, this water is living; it will bubble up within us eternally. It perfectly satisfies and gives eternal life. This water, which comes from the rock of Jesus Christ, is given to us in Baptism. Born again by water and the Holy Spirit in Baptism, "the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us," as St. Paul says in our second reading. There are many things for which we thirst, but do we ultimately quench our thirst, our deepest desires, in the rock of Jesus Christ, drinking from the fount of mercy and life given to us through the Church? Let us continue to invoke His mercy, love, and grace in our daily prayer and in the sacraments. The love of God has been poured into our hearts. Let us live in His love.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

La sed es un anhelo poderoso que se usa para describir lo que impulsa o motiva a una persona. Mientras pasamos tiempo en el desierto de la Cuaresma, hoy nos preguntamos: ¿De qué tenemos sed? ¿Qué nos impulsa? ¿Qué apaga nuestra sed? En nuestra primera lectura, los israelitas tuvieron sed, la cual fue satisfecha cuando Moisés sacó agua milagrosamente de la roca. En nuestro Evangelio, Jesús se encuentra con la samaritana en el pozo de Jacob bajo el sol del mediodía y le dice: "El que beba del agua que yo le daré, nunca más tendrá sed; el agua que yo le daré se convertirá dentro de él en un manantial capaz de dar la vida eterna." El agua que Jesús nos da no es simplemente importante para sobrevivir o para saciar la sed por un momento. Más bien, esta agua es viva; burbujeará dentro de nosotros eternamente. Satisface perfectamente y da vida eterna. Esta agua, que brota de la roca de Jesucristo, nos es dada por el Bautismo. Nacidos de nuevo por el agua y el Espíritu Santo en el Bautismo, "Dios ha infundido su amor en nuestros corazones por medio del Espíritu Santo, que él mismo nos ha dado," como dice San Pablo en nuestra segunda lectura. Hay muchas cosas de las que tenemos sed, pero ¿apagamos finalmente nuestra sed, nuestros anhelos más profundos, en la roca de Jesucristo, bebiendo de la fuente de la misericordia y de la vida que nos da la Iglesia? Sigamos invocando su misericordia, amor y gracia por la oración cada día y por los sacramentos. El amor de Dios ha sido derramado en nuestros corazones. Vivamos en su amor.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



Stations of the Cross

Friday's during Lent at 6:00pm
Good Friday at 12pm

Weekly Adoration

Monday's from 12p-5pm



Via Crucis

Los viernes de Cuaresma a las
6:00 p. m

Adoración semanal

Los lunes de 12 p. m. a 5 p. m.

ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY

815-933-7683

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 815-933-7683 + Extensión.
Llame al número y presione la Tecla
en caso de una emergencia de
muerte y necesita un sacerdote.

Parish Staff

Pastor/Párroco

Rev. Matthew Pratscher Ext. 402 frmatt@jp2kankakee.org

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Parochial Vicar/Vicario

Rev. J. Rodolphe "Dof" Arty, CSC Ext. 412 frdof@jp2kankakee.org

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Hna. Silvia Tejeda Ext. 404 stejedacardenas@jp2kankakee.org

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Faith Formation Office

FFP Coordinator: Sr. Maxencia Nyanzi Ext. 420 srmax@jp2kankakee.org

FFP Desk: Sandra Díaz Ext. 419

Outreach Ministries

Outreach Coordinator: Teri O'Connor 815-693-9152 oconnor.teri@gmail.com

Azzarelli Clinic Main Ext. 414 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

JPII SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS



PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Mark O'Connor- President
Annie Syrstad - Secretary
- Dave Denault
 - Amy Anderson
 - Mickey Kreissler
 - Tom Martin
 - Ryan Carter

OFFERING/OFRENDA

February 28 & March 1: \$12,528.35

Envelopes & Online: 227
32 - Online Donors

BMCS Monthly School Subsidy: \$6,823.67

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,400.00

Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost/
Sobres: \$435

Our goal each week is/ Meta Semanal: \$11,058.00

THANK YOU · GRACIAS

ONLINE giving



An easy way to support the work of
your parish. Simply scan the QR
Code to give online!

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 8

R1 - Exodus 17:3-7
R2 - Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
G - John 4:5-42

Monday, March 9

R1 - 2 Kings 5:1-15ab
G - Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 10

R1 - Daniel 3:25, 34-43
G - Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 11

R1 - Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
G - Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, March 12

R1 - Jeremiah 7:23-28
G - Luke 11:14-23

Friday, March 13

R1 - Hosea 14:2-10
G - Mark 12:28-34

Saturday, March 14

R1 - Hosea 6:1-6
G - Luke 18:9-14

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 15

R1 - 1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a
R2 - Ephesians 5:8-14
G - John 9:1-41

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT/ ADORACIÓN

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

Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a way of life

With gratitude for all she has done with Young on Fire, choir, linens & parish council, we acknowledge and offer our sincere thanks to:

Julie Busken

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida

Con gratitud por todo lo que ha hecho con Young on Fire, el coro, la purificación de los manteles y el consejo parroquial, reconocemos y ofrecemos nuestro más sincero agradecimiento a:

Julie Busken

THIS WEEK AT JPII

March 9-15

Monday, March 9

12:00-5:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
5:00 pm	Pro-Life Meeting
5:30 pm	Rosary Making Group
7:00 pm	Reunión del Grupo Carismático

Tuesday, March 10

9:00 am	Clothing Closet - Lisieux
10:00 am	Fatima Rosary Group
11:00 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Confessions/Confesiones
6:00 pm	Faith Formation Program / Doctrina
7:00 pm	Bible Study - Conference Room
7:00 pm	Practica del Viacrucis
7:30 pm	OCIA - Office Conference Room

Wednesday, March 11

6:00 pm	Faith Formation Program / Doctrina
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Thursday, March 12

5:00 pm	Confessions / Confesiones
6:30 pm	Adult Choir Practice - Church
7:00 pm	Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, March 13

9:00 am	Food Pantry - East Campus
9:00 am	Clothing Closet - Lisieux
10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
6:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
6:30 pm	Words of Wisdom Book Club
7:00 pm	Practica del Viacrucis
7:00 pm	Viacrucis

Saturday, March 14

6:30 am	Men of St. Joseph Group
8:30 am	Rosary Making Group
12:00 pm	Young on Fire - Livestream Rosary
3:30 pm	Confessions/Confesiones
4:00 pm	Baptism Class - Español
7:00 pm	Hora Santa de la Divina Misericordia

Sunday, March 15

9:00 am	Estudio Bíblico (Hombres)
6:30 pm	Vespers
6:30 pm	Choir Practice for Chrism Mass

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).



The sanctuary lamp
is burning in memory of
George Faber
Requested by His Family

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

Bickford House: Barbara Ciaccio
Bourbonnais Grove: Lavonne Linneman
Butterfield Court: Pat Canfield
Heritage Lodge: Dick Keethers
Heritage Woods, Kankakee: Myrna Sandeno
Homebound: Rose Kaminsky, Jean Rykiel
LaBella of Clifton: Kathleen Hardwick
Luther Place: Leola Mulvihill
Riverside Senior Care: David Africano
The ARC, Dwight: Sylvia Lane
Westwood Oaks: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

PRAYING FOR THE SICK ORANDO POR LOS ENFERMOS

~ Alice Ramien	~ Kevin Schaumburg
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Leticia Muñoz
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Lucy Canales
~ Bill Richley	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Bob Crane	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Cheryl Heldt	~ Manuel Silva
~ Cindy Frey	~ Maria de la Luz Patiño
~ Craig Robinson	~ Maria Nunez
~ Daniel Wulffe	~ Naomi
~ Darby Thomas	~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
~ Darlene Fortin	~ Nicole & David
~ Debbie Turner	~ Pat Crane
~ Desiree Grant	~ Paul Gerth
~ Elia López	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Ramiro Castillo
~ Iliana Andrade	~ Richard Frey
~ Irma Castillo	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Jackie LaRoche	~ Sharon Burton
~ Jerome Holohan	~ Sylvia Lane
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	~ Tom Sauch
~ Judith Lozano	~ Tony Rosas
~ Julia Moreno	~ Virginia Estrada
~ Kathy Call	~ Virginia Pronger
~ Kathy Dechenne	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Kelli Burson	~ Yael Martínez

The Intention of this list is to pray for the seriously ill.
Please help us 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 prayer requests, please call Rita Kanosky at 815-932-4974 or,
email Barb Jepson at bjepson69@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of March 8

Saturday, March 7

4:30 pm † Harry Carpenter (*Pamela Carpenter*)

6:00 pm Para la Gente de la Parroquia

Sunday, March 8

8:00 am † Adrien Raymond (*Marge Hildebrand*)

9:30 am † George Faber (*Rose, David & Julie*)

† Robert Pfeiffer (*The Pfeiffer Family*)

† Cecilia Birr (*Nancy Birr*)

11:30 am † George Kreutzer (*Family*)

1:00 pm † Tomás Castillo (*Silvia Esparza*)

† Socorro Quinones (*Lilia Villanueva*)

† Luis Francisco Llano (*Alicia Gomez*)

† Adrian Salazar (*Eloisa Salazar*)

3:00 pm For the Sick of the Parish

5:00 pm † Marie Marsalli (*Carol Hatley*)

Monday, March 9

7:30 am Fr. Dof (*JP2*)

Tuesday, March 10

7:30 am † Carey Ortman (*Pollett Family*)

6:00 pm † Maria Carmargo Orozco (*Fidel Lopez*)

Wednesday, March 11

7:30 am † Jack Klasey (*Eloise Carnevale*)

12:00 pm † Lena Dionne (*Margaret Joubert*)

Thursday, March 12

7:30 am † Frank Einfeldt (*Einfeldt Family*)

Friday, March 13

7:30 am † Marie Marsalli (*Kim Beaupre*)

12:00 pm † Jack Klasey (*Azzarelli Family*)

Saturday, March 14

8:00 am † Adrien Raymond (*Nancy Jurevich*)

4:30 pm † Carey Ortman (*Ortman Family*)

6:00 pm † Jesus Suastegui (*Jovan Suastegui*)

† Reyna Lira (*Jovan Suastegui*)

Las Anima Benditas de Purgatorio (*Jovan Suastegui*)

Sunday, March 15

8:00 am † Carey Ortman (*Pollett Family*)

9:30 am † Amanda Johnson (*Faber Family*)

† Sarah Loiselle (*Family*)

11:30 am † Jack Klasey (*Ray & Gloria Ford*)

1:00 pm † Javier Sanchez (*Maria Sanchez*)

† Nicolas Perez (*Maria Sanchez*)

† Victor Rodriguez (*Maria Sanchez*)

3:00 pm † Richard Bajt (*Azzarelli Family*)

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Please call the office at 815-933-7683 if you or a family member needs to receive Communion or Anointing of the Sick.

Por favor, llame a la oficina al 815-933-7683 si usted o un familiar necesita recibir la Comunión o Unción de los Enfermos.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

	Saturday, March 14 Sábado, 14 de Marzo		Sunday, March 15 Domingo, 15 de Marzo				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Ryan Carter	Federico Ramirez Juana Maria Lugo	Linda Kerness	Judith Smead	Annie Syrstad	Elizabeth Suarez Rogelio Canchola	Victor Rosales
USHER	Laura Carter Mary Causer	Oralia Candelario Fabian Rubio Maria Saldivar	Robert Kerness Brenda Lystila David Lystila NOT FILLED	Deb Groth Steve Kelley Charlotte Nolte NOT FILLED	Pedro Gonzalez Rosa Gonzalez Elida Ramirez Rick Ramirez	Patricia Martínez Eva Muñoz Yohana Hernández Aydee Palma	Sharon Jackson
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Reyes Cintora	Kathy Bessette	Deb Groth	Elida Ramirez	Rogelio Canchola	
COMMUNION MINISTER			Julie Yarno Daniel Trivino	Judith Smead Sheryl Scanlon		Kimberly Candelario Guadalupe Mendez Gabriel Mendez	
GREETER							
ALTAR SERVER		Miguel Sanchez Michelle Tetlalmatz NOT FILLED		Sofia Moreno Olivia Moreno Mia Moreno	Isabelle Ramirez Aaron Ramirez Damian Ramirez	Aaron Ferreira Alexander Gaytan Alex Hernandez	Alexander Tapp

Ministry Schedule is subject to change. Please consult MSP for the most accurate schedule.

WEEKDAY MINISTER • MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA		
DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
March 9-14	Sharon Jackson	Flor Rojas
Martes 10	Rosa Chavez	Daniel Varela Reyes Cintora
Linens/Lienzos: Week of March 8: Rosario Lira Week of March 15 & 22: Karen Bajt		



Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 6th

Immediately following the Blessing of Baskets at 12:00pm

Donations needed:
 Plastic fillable eggs, Candy for Eggs, Small Stuffed Animals & Toys for Baskets
 Donations need to be dropped off by Sunday, March 15th





How Do We MAKE Disciples for Jesus?

What: Join us for a conversation with Auxiliary Bishop Dennis Spies on how to make disciples for Jesus in the Diocese of Joliet. Continuing the legacy of Archbishop Ron Hicks of New York, the event will focus on common questions about putting our faith into action and making disciples in our parish communities.

Where: St. John Paul II Catholic Church, 907 S. 9th St., Kankakee

When: Mon., March 23, 6:30-8 pm



MAKE is a call to action—rooted in Catechesis, Evangelization, and Faith into Action—to follow Jesus' Great Commission to go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19-20).

make.diojoliet.org

Bodas comunitarias

Esta es una oportunidad para quienes desean entrar en el sacramento de matrimonio.



Las parejas que desean casarse están invitadas a la reunión informativa el viernes, **27 de marzo**, a las **7:30 p.m.** en el Salón de Conferencias.

Recibirán información sobre los detalles de la Boda Comunitaria.

Favor de contactarse a la oficina parroquial

**CORNELIA BENSON
EDUCATIONAL FUND SCHOLARSHIP**

Apply between

**Monday, February 2nd – Monday, June 1st
for the 2026-2027 School Year**

Applications for the Cornelia Benson Scholarship (formerly known as St. Teresa Scholarship) are now available at Bishop McNamara Catholic Schools, and in the parish office for the 2026-2027 school year. St. John Paul II parents with students in kindergarten through 12th grade may apply. **Pre-School students are not eligible.**

**BECA DEL FONDO EDUCATIVO
CORNELIA BENSON**

Aplica entre el

**Lunes, 2 de Febrero – Lunes 1º de Junio
para el Año Escolar 2026-2027**

Ya están disponibles las solicitudes para la Beca Cornelia Benson (anteriormente conocida como Beca Santa Teresa) para el año escolar 2026-2027 en las escuelas católicas Bishop McNamara y en la oficina parroquial. Los padres de San Juan Pablo II con estudiantes en Kindergarten – 12º grado pueden aplicar. **Los estudiantes de Pre-Escolar no son elegibles.**



Bishop Blanchette Scholarship
For High School Students at BMCS



St. JP2 Council of Catholic Women is accepting applications for the Bishop Blanchette Scholarship.

1. You must be a student at Bishop McNamara High School for the 2026-27 school year, grade 9, 10, 11 or 12.
2. You must be an active member of St. John Paul II Parish.
3. Scholarship is based primarily on need.

Please call Sharon Jackson at 815-937-1556 or Beth Arocha at 815-922-5463 to apply. Applications must be received by Sharon and Beth by March 8. Our CCW can nominate only one student.

El Consejo de Mujeres Católicas de San Juan Pablo II está aceptando solicitudes para la Beca Obispo Blanchette.

1. *Debes ser estudiante de la Escuela Secundaria Obispo McNamara para el año escolar 2026-27, en los grados 9, 10, 11 o 12.*
2. *Debes ser miembro activo de la Parroquia San Juan Pablo II.*
3. *La beca se otorga principalmente en función de la necesidad.*

Para solicitarla, llame a Sharon Jackson al 815-937-1556 o a Beth Arocha al 815-922-5463. Las solicitudes deben ser

IRISH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD PRESENTS

**HOOPS
&
SHAMROCKS**

SATURDAY

MUST BE 21+ TO ATTEND

**MARCH
14
2026**

KANKAKEE
COUNTRY
CLUB

4:00PM TO
11:00PM



IRISH SHENANIGANS
4:00PM-11:00PM

\$75 per person

- Dinner buffet w/dessert served 5:00PM-8:00PM
- Green Beer
- NCAA Championship Games
- Music by Vallus (7pm-11pm)
- Late-night eats!

LATE NIGHT LEPRECHAUNS
8:00PM-11:00PM

\$30 per person

- Late-night eats!
- Green Beer
- NCAA Championship Games
- Music by Vallus

Scan the QR code to
reply and
purchase tickets.



ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL
ST. PATRICK CENTRAL
BISHOP McNAMARA

Dress code for Kankakee Country Club:
Colored shirts for men, dress jeans may be worn
(jeans not have torn holes)



Our Choir has been asked again to lead the music for the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raymond on Monday, March 30th at 2:00pm. Rehearsals are in the music room at 6:30pm on Sundays. If you love to sing and have never been to the Chrism or Cathedral, **this is your sign!**

Talk to Christopher for more info

If you need a copy of your tax statement, please call the office before March 10th, or after March 23rd.

Si necesita una copia de su declaración de impuestos, llame a la oficina antes del 10 de marzo o después del 23 de marzo.

OUTREACH

KANKAKEE CATHOLIC FOOD PANTRY

FRIDAYS 9:00-11:00am

OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

Every week we are feeding between 150-180 families. We are looking for both monetary and non-perishable food donations such as peanut butter, jelly, cereal, boxed stuffing, Jell-O, pudding, pasta, granola bars, and pancake mix.

DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF ON SITE

OR AT ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH

For Monetary Donations go to ip2kankakee.org,
by mail: Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry
956 S. 10th Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

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



- Please call for an appointment -

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

*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



everyone is welcome to our

PERSON WITH DISABILITY Mass

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH OF
SEPTEMBER-MAY

Mass time is 2:00pm followed by a social hour, with games and refreshments, in the Parish Hall.

St. Joseph's Church 211 North Center
Avenue Bradley, Illinois

Please RSVP, to Becky Graf, if you plan to attend the **social hour**.

Text or phone calls are welcome at
(815) 922-4479.

Please ensure proper supervision is provided.



Monthly Caregiver Support Group

Caregiver Support Group
Second Wednesday of the Month
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

UpliftedCare Community Grief Center

3115 N. 1000 West Road, Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Family caregiving is both a noble and challenging endeavor. If you're a family caregiver, you know that the role comes with a unique mix of joy and heartache, fulfillment, and stress. You are not alone on this complex path. UpliftedCare understands the ups and downs of caregiving and is now offering our Caregivers Support Group, designed to provide support, understanding, and expert advice with different topics each month.

Benefits of Joining our Caregiver Support Group:

- Shared Experiences
- Expert Guidance
- Emotional Support
- Building Resilience
- Resource Sharing

Light lunch/refreshments will be served.
To ensure adequate materials are prepared,
please RSVP for this event by calling

815.939.4141



Visit our website for more information

FAITH FORMATION

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



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 Viernes: Devociones al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús**, después de misa de 7:00 pm
- † **1er Sábado: Rosario**, después de misa de 6:00 pm
- † **2do Sábado: Hora Santa de La Divina Misericordia**, después de misa de 6:00 pm.

UNVEILING THE TRUTH **BIBLE STUDY**

OLD TESTAMENT:
Fr. Roy Jacob CMI



NEW TESTAMENT:
Deacon George Arocha

IN PERSON: Tuesdays from
 11:00 am - 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 In the Conference Room

St. 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, April 4, 2026 at 9:00 am
 JP2 Conference Room

All are Welcome!!

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

Words of Wisdom
 Book Club

Season 9 - Session #7

**Friday, March 13,
 at 6:30 pm**

Conference Room

Book selection:

The Last Four Things

By Fr. Martin VonCochen OSFC

For more information call: Laurie Mau 815-933-8859

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Spring 2026

Thursday, March 12

6:30 pm (Conference Room)

The Chosen - Season 5

Come watch and discuss from a
 Catholic Perspective

Episode 1: "Entry"



JP2 Conference Room

For Questions Call:

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

Rosary Making

Fabricación de Rosarios

Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, March 9

Lunes, 9 de marzo

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 14

Sábado, 14 de marzo

8:30 - 10:00 am

St. John Paul II Parish: Men of Saint Joseph

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Meets every-other Saturday 6:30 A.M. -8:00 A.M.
 at the Parish Conference Room
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 the Church, the Saints, and more.

Future Meeting Dates:

March 14 & 28

April 11 & 25

Prayer Shawl

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Every Friday / Cada Viernes

10:00 am

Settles Center Coat Room

En el salón del gimnasio

IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Martin Scorsese Presents: The Saints

Facilitators:

Sr. Kathleen Mulchay &
Sr. Evelyn Varboncoeur

Wednesdays: February 4 & 18, 2026
March 4 & 18, 2026
April 1 & 15, 2026
& May 6, 2026
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

[Click here](#) for episode information for each session.

WHERE:

Nazareth Spirituality Center
717 N. Batavia Ave
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&

Online via our ZOOM meeting platform

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Questions? Contact Susan Amann:
samann@sscm-usa.org

Sunday Gospel Faith Sharing Groups

Facilitators:

See registration form for facilitator
information per session.

WHEN: Weekly, starting February 22, 2026
Sundays, 8 - 9 p.m. via ZOOM
Mondays, 9 - 10 p.m. via ZOOM
Tuesdays, 9 - 10:15 a.m. at OHOS*
Wednesdays, 7 - 8 p.m. via ZOOM
Fridays, 12 - 1 p.m. via ZOOM

*One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center
2041 W. State Route 113
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Annual Dinner Auction for Vocations

Saturday March 14, 2026
Knights of Columbus Hall,
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Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvre's 6:00 PM
Dinner 7:00 PM

- Silent Auction
- Live Auction
- Chance to win cash!

For more information, make a reservation,
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contact Deacon Pat Skelly at 815-922-4228,
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Reservations are due by March 6th, 2026
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2026 Retreat Dates

May 1 - 3

Oct. 2 - 4

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If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully consider how you can elevate your faith beyond all expectations in support of those in need. Pledge envelopes are still available in church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at jolietdioceseappeal.org

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 Grade 7 & Confirmation 1

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