

St. JOHN PAUL II

CATHOLIC PARISH

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WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

FOURTH SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

Love

Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 22, 2024
IV Domingo de Adviento - 22 de Diciembre, 2024

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



*"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you
by the Lord would be fulfilled."*

*Dichosa tú, que has creído, porque se cumplirá cuanto te fue
anunciado de parte del Señor".*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent/Christmas Eve: Merry Christmas! On behalf of Fr. Roy, Fr. John, the deacons, and the parish staff, I would like to wish all of you and your loved ones a very Merry and Blessed Christmas. As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, I hope that the following words of our patron, Pope St. John Paul II, given on Christmas of 2003, will give us a better understanding and a deeper joy of the great feast we prepare to celebrate on December 25th.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt

1. Descendit de caelis Salvator mundi. Gaudeamus! The Saviour of the world has come down from heaven. Let us rejoice! This proclamation, filled with deep rejoicing, echoed in the night of Bethlehem. Today the Church renews it with unchanged joy: the Saviour is born for us! A wave of tenderness and hope fills our hearts, together with an overpowering need for closeness and peace. In the crib we contemplate the One who stripped himself of divine glory in order to become poor, driven by love for mankind. Beside the crib the Christmas tree, with its twinkling lights, reminds us that with the birth of Jesus the tree of life has blossomed anew in the desert of humanity. The crib and the tree: precious symbols, which hand down in time the true meaning of Christmas!

2. In the heavens there echoes the proclamation of the angels: "To you is born in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord" (Lk 2:11). What wonder! By being born in Bethlehem, the Eternal Son of God has entered into the history of each person living on the face of the earth. He is now present in the world as the one Saviour of humanity. For this reason we pray to him: Saviour of the world, save us!

4. And you, Mary, the Virgin of expectation and fulfilment, who hold the secret of Christmas, make us able to recognize in the Child whom you hold in your arms the heralded Saviour, who brings hope and peace to all. With you we worship him and trustingly say: we need You, Redeemer of man, You who know the hopes and fears of our hearts. Come and stay with us, Lord! May the joy of your Nativity reach to the farthest ends of the universe!



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

En este Cuarto Domingo de Adviento/Nochebuena: ¡Feliz Navidad! En nombre de Padre Roy, Padre John, los diáconos y el personal de la parroquia, me gustaría desearles a todos ustedes y a sus seres queridos una muy feliz y bendecida Navidad.

Al celebrar el nacimiento de nuestro Salvador, espero que las siguientes palabras, dichas la Navidad del 2003 por nuestro patrono, el Papa San Juan Pablo II, nos den una mejor comprensión y una alegría más profunda de la gran fiesta que nos preparamos para celebrar el 25 de diciembre.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo

1. Descendit de caelis Salvator mundi. Gaudeamus! Bajó del cielo el Salvador del mundo. ¡Alegrémonos! Este anuncio, lleno de un profundo gozo, resonó en la noche de Belén. Hoy la Iglesia lo reitera con alegría inmutable: ¡Ha nacido para nosotros el Salvador! Una ola de ternura y esperanza nos llena el ánimo, junto con una profunda necesidad de cercanía y paz. En el pesebre contemplamos a Aquél que se despojó de la gloria divina para hacerse pobre, movido por el amor al hombre. Junto al pesebre, el árbol de Navidad con el centelleo de sus luces nos recuerda que con el nacimiento de Jesús florece de nuevo el árbol de la vida en el desierto de la humanidad. El pesebre y el árbol: símbolos preciosos, que transmiten a lo largo del tiempo el verdadero sentido de la Navidad.

2. Resuena en el cielo el anuncio de los ángeles: "En la ciudad de David, os ha nacido un salvador, que es el Cristo Señor" (Lc 2,11). ¡Qué asombro! Naciendo en Belén, el Hijo eterno de Dios entró en la historia de cada persona que vive sobre la faz de la tierra. Ya está presente en el mundo como único Salvador de la humanidad. Por esto, nosotros le pedimos: Salvator mundi, salva nos!

4. Y tú, María, Virgen de la espera y del cumplimiento, que conservas el secreto de la Navidad, haznos capaces de reconocer en el Niño, que estrechas en tus brazos, al Salvador anunciado, que trae a todos la esperanza y la paz. Contigo lo adoramos y decimos confiados: tenemos necesidad de ti, Redentor del hombre, que conoces las expectativas y ansias de nuestro corazón. ¡Ven y permanece con nosotros, Señor! ¡Que la alegría de tu Navidad llegue hasta los últimos confines del universo!



**The candle in the sanctuary
is burning in memory of
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE GRANT FAMILY
By: Family**



The Family of St. John Paul II
extends our
Deepest Sympathy to the family of
Perry Bailey
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:

BICKFORD: Barbara Ciaccio

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BUTTERFIELD COURT: Pat Canfield

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SENIOR CARE: David Africano

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PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

~ Adrien Raymond	~ Julia Moreno
~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche	~ Kathy Call
~ Alice Ramien	~ Kathy Dechenne
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Kelli Burson
~ Baby Wyatt & Parents	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Birdie Blanchette	~ Manuel Silva
~ Bob Crane	~ Maria de la Luz Patiño
~ Carol Gean Veranda	~ Maria Toledo
~ Carol Loiselle	~ Mia Martin
~ Charlene Russell	~ Naomi
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~ Jan Richley	~ Vito Scafiezzo
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of December 21 - 29

Saturday, December 21

8:00 am † Nicky Frey (*Greg & Julie Azzarelli*)

4:30 pm † Charles Birr (*Birr Family*)

6:00 pm † Alfonso Pérez (*Familia Pérez*)

Sunday, December 22

8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen (*Dennis & Barb Schafer*)

9:30 am FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

11:30 am Alan Nanos (*Faber Family*)

1:00 pm † Dagoberto Villagrán (*Lupita Méndez*)

3:00 pm † Barbara Azzarelli (*Betty Azzarelli*)

5:00 pm † David Decker (*Donna Decker & Family*)

Monday, December 23

7:30 am † John F. Azzarelli (*Betty Azzarelli*)

Tuesday, December 24

7:30 am † Millie Blanchette
(*Jeanne, John & Kathy Riberdy*)

4:00 pm † Deceased Members of the Grant Family
(*Aunt Patsy*)

6:00 pm † Alison Saldaña Muñoz † José Celestino Saldaña
& José Cirilo Saldaña (*José & María Saldaña*)

8:00 pm † Charles Birr (*Nancy Family*)

Wednesday, December 25

12:00 am FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

8:00 am † George Faber (*Sister Mary & Brother Bob*)

10:00 am Gabriele & George Kreutzer (*Family*)

12:00 pm † Derek Ader (*Dolores Ader*)
† Fernando Villegas (*Lupita Méndez*)

Thursday, December 26

7:30 am † Vearl Brouillet (*His Children*)

Friday, December 27

7:30 am † Steve Page (*Mary Schott*)

12:00 pm † Gerald Frechette (*Sandy & Francis*)

Saturday, December 28

8:00 am Julia Culiakala (*Neil & Janice Lumangtad*)

4:30 pm † Deceased Members of JP II CCW (*JP II CCW*)

6:00 pm † Arturo Martínez López (*Julisa Martínez López*)

Sunday, December 29

8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen (*Dennis & Barb Schafer*)

9:30 am Sister Evangeline (*Char, Birdie & Candy*)

11:30 am Salazar-Valadez Family (*Elizabeth Valadez*)

1:00 pm † Roberto Esparza (*Ricardo Esparza*)

† Roberto Prado Elías (*Celene Valtierra*)

† Miguel Flores Sánchez (*Familia*)

Rosa & Marisol Varela (*Dany Varela*)

3:00 pm † Don Glenzinski
(*Bob & Marybeth McGrath Family*)

5:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

PRAYER LINE INFORMATION: For your prayer requests, please call **Rita Kanosky at 815-932-4974** or, email **Barb Jepson at wbjepson69@gmail.com**

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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

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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.
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en caso de una emergencia de muerte y
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Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet*: Teri O'Connor

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

OFFERING/OFRENDA

December 14 & 15

\$10,627.84

- 164 Envelopes/34 - On Line Donors (\$1,653.23)

(This information is being provided to keep you updated)

Monthly School Subsidy to BMCS: \$6,592.92

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,211.00

Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost/

Sobres: \$435

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

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ONLINE giving

*****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 decorating our parish altar to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge:

The Art & Environment Committee.

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida

En agradecimiento por decorar nuestro altar parroquial para celebrar Natividad de nuestro Señor, reconocemos y agradecemos a:

Comité de Arte y Ambientación de JPPII.

May Peace be your gift at Christmas and your blessing all year through!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 22

R1 - Mi 5:1-4a

R2 - Heb 10:5-10

G - Lk 1:39-45

Mon. December 23

R1 - Mal 3:1-4, 23-24

G - Lk 1:57-66

Tues. December 24

Morning Mass

R1 - 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

G - Lk 1:67-79

Weds. December 25

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Vigil Mass

R1 - Is 62:1-5

R2 - Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

G - Mt 1:1-25

Mass during the Night

R1 - Is 9:1-6

R2 - Ti 2:11-14

G - Lk 2:1-14

Mass During the Day

R1 - Is 52:7-10

R2 - Heb 1:1-6

G - Jn 1:1-18

Thurs. December 26

Feast of Saint Stephen, first martyr

R1 - Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59

G - Mt 10:17-22

Friday, December 27

Feast of Saint John, Apostle and evangelist

R1 - 1 Jn 1:1-4

G - Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Saturday, December 28

Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs

R1 - 1 Jn 1:5-2:2

G - Mt 2:13-18

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday, December 29

R1 - Sir 3:2-6, 12-14

R2 - Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17

G - Lk 2:41-52



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).

THIS WEEK AT JPPII

December 23 - 29

Monday, December 23

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

7:00 pm NO - Reunión del Grupo Carismático

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

Tuesday, December 24

7:30 am Mass

10:00 am Fatima Rosary Group

11:00 am NO - Bible Study

4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

5:00 pm NO - Confessions/Confesiones

6:00 pm NO FFP - Class

6:00 pm Misa de Navidad (Noche Buena)

7:00 pm NO - Bible Study

7:30 pm NO - OCIA

11:30 pm Midnight Mass Musical Prelude

Wednesday, December 25

12:00 am Christmas Midnight Mass

8:00 am Latin Christmas Midnight Mass

10:00 am Christmas Mass

12:00 pm Misa de Navidad (Español)

6:00 pm NO FFP - Class

Thursday, December 26

7:30 am Mass

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

5:15 pm Fit'n Healthy - Lisieux Center

6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice - Church

7:00 pm Perseverancia - Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, December 27

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center

9:30 am Homeschoolers Gathering

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, December 28

11:00 am Bautismos - Español (si se necesita)

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream

3:30 pm Confessions/Confesiones

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

Sunday, December 29

9:00 am Estudio Bíblico - Hombres

6:30 pm Vespers

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

FUTURE EVENTS - DATES

Dec. 30 CCW Deanery Meeting

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).



ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

En nuestra Parroquia de San Juan Pablo II
se celebraran:

Bodas Comunitarias

El día sábado, 12 de abril, 2025

¡Te invitamos a que recibas este sacramento!

Tendremos una **Reunión Informativa** el **Jueves, 19 de diciembre a las 6:00 pm en el Salón de Conferencias** donde se darán mas detalles.

Para mayores informes contacta a la Oficina Parroquial.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY ADOPTED BABY!

After nine months of growth and development your spiritually adopted baby was born this month. The only change at birth is a different way of eating and breathing. Truly a miracle, your baby began his life just like all of us, as a 46 chromosome cell. Nothing was "added" after conception to make this a human being. The only thing needed was time to grow. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is just like your spiritually adopted baby. You may never meet the mother and baby but your prayers saved his life.

¡FELIZ CUMPLEAÑOS ADOPTADA BEBÉ!

Después de nueve meses de crecimiento y desarrollo, este mes nació su bebé adoptado espiritualmente. El único cambio al nacer es una forma diferente de comer y respirar. Verdaderamente un milagro, tu bebé comenzó su vida igual que todos nosotros, como una célula de 46 cromosomas. No se "añadió" nada después de la concepción para convertirlo en un ser humano. Lo único que necesitaba era tiempo para crecer. Nunca antes en la historia, ni nunca más, existirá alguien que sea como su bebé espiritualmente adoptado. Quizás nunca conozcas a la madre y al bebé, pero tus oraciones le salvaron la vida.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE HORARIO DE MISAS NAVIDEÑAS

December 24 (Christmas Eve / Noche Buena)
4:00 pm • 6:00 pm en español • 8:00 pm

December 25 (Christmas Day / Navidad)
12:00 am Midnight (Prelude beginning at 11:30 pm)
8:00 am Latin Low Mass with Organ
10:00 am • 12:00 pm en Español

Spiritual Adoption Program Thank You Gift!

Thank you to those who signed up to pray every month for their spiritual adopted baby! To show our appreciation, the St. John Paul II Pro Life Committee has a little gift for you. They can be found on the children's books table. Just look for your name or family name on the tags. Merry Christmas!!

Programa de Adopción Espiritual Regalo de agradecimiento

¡Gracias a los que se inscribieron para orar cada mes por su bebé adoptado espiritualmente! Para mostrar nuestro agradecimiento, el Comité Pro Vida de San Juan Pablo II tiene un pequeño regalo para ustedes. Lo pueden encontrar en la mesa de libros para niños. Solo busque su nombre o apellido en las etiquetas. ¡Feliz Navidad!



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, December 28 Sábado, 28 de Diciembre		Sunday, December 29 Domingo, 29 de Diciembre				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Rose Bailey	Rogelio Benítez Norma Sánchez	Richard Hemza	Charlotte Nolte	Laura Shellie	Sanjuana Valadez Federico Ramírez	Julie Koerner
USHERS UJIERES	Karen Miller Chris Stueck	Sanjuana Valadez María Medina Susana Pérez Kathy Teclamar	Kathy Bessette Raymond Colevris Christopher Ryan Robert Thrasher	Mickey Kreissler Charlotte Nolte Robert Thrasher Mary Westover	Beth Arocha Robert Thrasher	José Hernández Rosalina Tonacatl Israel Lorenzo Maricela Lorenzo	Robert Thrasher
SACRISTAN	Karen Miller	Antonio & Angelica Serna	Kathy Bessette	Sharon Jackson	Pedro Gonzalez	Daniel Varela	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
COMMUNION MINISTERS			David Lystila <i>Brenda Lystila</i>	Sandy Girard <i>Fran Powers</i>		Silvia Esparza Fidel Villagrán <i>Rogelio Canchola</i>	
GREETER				Cynthia Martin			
ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Jade Carrera Diaz Abilene Franquiz Miguel Sanchez	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Elliot Powers Xavy Reyes (sub req.)	Benjamin Bilderback Athziri Pina	Emily Canchola Cynthia Canchola Alexander Gaytan	Alexander Tapp

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

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD / LA NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR

MINISTRY	Tuesday, December 24 / Martes, 24 de Diciembre			Wednesday, December 25 / Miércoles, 25 de Diciembre		
	4:00 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 pm	12:00 am	10:00 am	12:00 pm Español
LECTOR	Jose Nambo	Israel Lira Karina Toledo	Cynthia McBarnes	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Thomas Martin	Elizabeth Suarez Jorge Flores
USHERS UJIERES	Laura Carter Ryan Carter Mary Causer Richard McBarne	Marina Reza, Eulalio Valadez, Sanjuana Valadez	Richard McBarnes <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Kathryn Griffiths Sandy Kuntz Mary Westover <i>Need Volunteers</i>	Sharon Jackson Mickey Kreissler Karen Miller	Lucy Canales, Ricardo Esparza Marichuy García, Octavio García
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Flor Rojas Daniel Varela	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	Karen Miller	Lupita Méndez Gabriel Méndez
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Brenda Lystila <i>David Lystila</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>			Irma Tinajero <i>Diane Devine</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>
ALTAR SERVERS	Mia & Sofia Moreno-Rosas <i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Michael Garcia Ethan Garcia <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Mia & Sofia Moreno-Rosas <i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>

WEEKDAY MINISTERS / MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Dec. 23-28	John Akai	Sharon Jackson
Martes 24	Víctor Bolívar	Patricia Martínez

Linens/Lienzos: Week of Dec. 22: Dolores Pizano; weeks of Dec. 29 & Jan. 5: Mickey Kreissler



The Parish Office will be closed from December 23rd to January 3rd.

La oficina Parroquial estará cerrada del 23 de diciembre al 3 de enero

Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God

Solemnidad de Santa María,
Madre de Dios

Holy Day of Obligation
Día de Precepto/Obligación

Dec. 31 (Vigil)–Tuesday (Martes)
4:00 p.m. (English)
6:00 p.m. (Español)

Jan. 1 / 1 de Enero –Wednesday (Miércoles)
9:00 a.m. Mass (English)
12:00 p.m. Mass (Latin)
7:00 p.m. Misa (Español)



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Blessing of Wine / Bendición de Vino / Benedictio Vini Friday, December 27

The Feast of St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
7:30am (English); 12:00pm (Latin)



Wine is traditionally blessed on the 27th of December in memory of St. John, who without detriment drank poisoned wine. People are invited to bring wine to any Mass on December 27th for a blessing during or at the end of Mass. They then share the wine with family and friends that evening or during the Christmas season or on special occasions such as anniversaries.

El vino se bendice tradicionalmente el 27 de diciembre en memoria de San Juan, quien sin perjuicio bebió vino envenenado. Las personas están invitadas a traer vino a cualquier Misa el 27 de diciembre para una bendición durante o al final de la misa. Luego comparten el vino con familiares y amigos esa noche o durante la temporada navideña o en ocasiones especiales como aniversarios.

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 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
PLACE: Conference Room

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Rosary Group

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Saturday, January 4, 2025 at 9:00 am
JP2 Conference Room

All are Welcome!!

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

Words of Wisdom Book Club

Friday, January 10

At 6:00 pm

(Holy Family Hall)

January's Book election -

"The Power & the Glory"

By: Graham Greene

Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859

Growing in Faith
Together - GIFT -



*Happy
Holidays!*



Rosary Making

Fabricación de Rosarios

Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, December 30

Lunes, 30 de Diciembre

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 21

Sábado, 21 de Diciembre

8:30 - 10:00 am

JP2 Conference Room

For Questions Call:

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

St. John Paul II Parish: Men of Saint Joseph

*"Men determined to grow in faith, discipline,
self-sacrifice, integrity, and courage"*

x Meets every-other Saturday 6:30 A.M. - 8:00 A.M. at
the Parish Conference Room (Next to the Angel Room)

x Join us as we go through *True Devotions of Mary* (St.
Louis De Montfort) starting November 23

x Exodus 90 starting January 20, 2025

x Future Meeting Dates: November: 23, December: 7, 21
January: 4, 18 February 1, 15, March 1, 15, 29



Prayer Shawl

Ministerio Manto de Oración



Every Friday / Cada Viernes

10:00 am

Settles Center Coat Room

En el salón del gimnasio

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Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

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



Week of Dec. 23 – 27

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

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



OPENING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025



On Sunday, December 29, throughout the world Catholics will gather at their Cathedral Churches to celebrate the opening of the Jubilee Year 2025.

The Diocese of Joliet will celebrate the opening of this Jubilee Year at the 10:30 am Mass on December 29, at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. Everyone is invited to this very special Mass as a worldwide celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025 begins. This will be a very special time for the Church and plans have been made to celebrate this Jubilee Year throughout the Diocese. In the coming weeks, we will be sharing with you these important days, times and places where we will gather to continue our celebration of the Jubilee Year.

Thank You to all those who donated money to Jewel in Kankakee for Thanksgiving Dinners. We received 13 complete dinners for needy families.



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Community Center - 209 W. Dixie Highway

KANKAKEE:

Kankakee Civic Auditorium - 803 S. Eighth Avenue
Lisleux Pastoral Center - 371 N. St. Joseph Avenue

MANTENO:

Leo Hassett Center - 211 N. Main Street

MOMENCE:

First Baptist Church - 2268 N. St. Rt. 17

PEMBROKE:

Pembroke Senior Center - 4019 S. Wheeler Road

ST. ANNE:

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SUN RIVER TERRACE:

Sun River Terrace Community Ctr. - 7219 E. Chicago St.

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Bilingual Mass at St. Rose of Lima on
Friday, December 27th at 5:50 pm
Honoring the Holy Family/Santo Nino



UPCOMING
EVENT

Women Seeking Holiness



**SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 28, 2024
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

St. Mary's Catholic Church

140 N. Oakwood Avenue
West Chicago, IL 60185

Cost: \$20 (Lunch & snacks will be served.)
(Please contact us if the cost is a hardship.)

Questions? Contact us at (815) 221-6171 / vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org

All young women (18+) are invited to join
Vocations Director, Fr. Steven Borello,
and Fr. Andrew Buchanan for a one-day
retreat that will include:

- Prayer/Rosary
- Discussions
- Discernment on the life of holiness
- Mass/Adoration/Confession

2024 Advent Programming

Busy Person's Retreat

Individually scheduled

Gospel Film Series

December 1, 8, 15, & 22

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

Evening of Reflection – The Way of the Crib

December 5

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

Weekend Retreat – The Way of the Crib

December 6-8

7:00 p.m. Friday - 1:00 p.m. Sunday

At Nazareth Spirituality Center

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1-Day Retreat – The Way of the Crib

December 14

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

At One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center

Kankakee, IL

To register, please use this
QR code to visit our website:

Questions? Contact Susan Amann:

samann@sscm-usa.org



UPCOMING
EVENT

Men Seeking Holiness



**MONDAY,
DECEMBER 30, 2024
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Sts. Peter and Paul Church

36 North Ellsworth Street
Naperville, IL 60540

Cost: \$20 (Lunch/Snacks will be
served. Contact us if the cost is a
hardship.)

All young men (18+) are invited to
join Vocations Director, Fr. Steven
Borello and Fr. Jared Rutnicki for a
one-day retreat that will include:

- *Prayer/Rosary
- *Discussions
- *Discernment on holiness
- *Mass/Adoration/Confession
- *Recreation (Bring comfortable clothes.)

FROM OUR DIOCESE



SERRA CLUB of DuPage County

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

RSVP by January 6, 2025 to Joyce Bauer, mrsbb25@gmail.com

Speaker: Francesca Riddick, Consecrated Virgin, Diocese of Joliet



Francesca was born in Chicago where she attended Alvernia High School where she developed a love for consecrated life. She attended Northeastern Illinois University earning her undergraduate degree in Elementary Education and a Master's degree in Special Education. Francesca entered the Monastic Communities of Jerusalem in Paris, France (1985) and remained there for ten years. Due to declining health of her father, Francesca returned home to tend to her father's needs. She was admitted into the Order of Virgins, becoming the first consecrated virgin in the Archdiocese Chicago by Cardinal Francis George on December 1, 2002.

In 2007, Francesca moved to Lombard, Illinois where her consecration was transferred from the Chicago Archdiocese to the Diocese of Joliet. For 20 years, Francesca worked as a special education teacher in Schaumburg, Illinois. During this time, she received certification as a spiritual director and worked as the Director of Religious Education in Sacred Heart parish for nine years. Francesca left the public-school system in 2020 and is presently working as the Special Education Coordinator for St. Isidore Catholic School in Bloomingdale, Illinois.



DINNER MEETING DETAILS January 13, 2025

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church
480 S. Park Blvd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

**Mark Your Calendar
Guests are welcome!**

Evening Program:

6:00 pm - Rosary

6:20 pm - Mass

7:00 pm - Fellowship (in Social Hall)

7:15 pm - Dinner

7:45 pm - Updates from Officers and Announcements

9:00 pm - Guest Speaker Presentation and Q&A

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