

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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 5, 2025
XXVI Domingo Ordinario - 5 de Octubre, 2025

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



*"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree,
'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."
"Si tuvieran fe, aunque fuera tan pequeña como una semilla de
mostaza, podrían decir a ese árbol frondoso: 'Arráncate de raíz
y plántate en el mar, y los obedecería'."*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary and has been designated as Respect Life Month. Also during this month is the feast day of St. John Paul II. St. John Paul II was an ardent promoter of the rosary and the Gospel of Life, imploring us to imitate the Blessed Mother in following the will of God and teaching us that the most fundamental principle of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of the human person. Every human being at every stage of life, from conception to natural death, has intrinsic value. Let us pray this month that our society may recognize and revere the dignity of human life as well as defend and protect the most vulnerable.

We also turn our attention to St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast day is this weekend, the fourth of October. St. Francis is commonly known for his life of poverty and love of creation. Because of his love for creation, we invoke St. Francis' intercession when we bless the pets this weekend. His story is very inspiring. He was born in 1181 in Assisi, Italy, and died on October 3, 1226. He was the son of a merchant and enjoyed his father's wealth. After many years of pursuing earthly glories and pleasures, he gradually experienced a conversion and felt called to serve our Lord when he had an experience of Christ while praying before the crucifix in the church of San Damiano. St. Francis renounced his possessions and dedicated his life completely to the service of God and neighbor. He had an ardent devotion to the eucharist and is traditionally known for the first nativity scene. In both the eucharist and the nativity, we remember that our Lord loves us so much that He humbled Himself, descended from the majesty of heaven, and entered our world, our lives, and our poverty, so that He could share with us the riches of His mercy and grace. St. Francis was in awe of the love and humility of God. He conformed his life to Christ and sought to allow it to transform him. The love of God, experienced in the Holy Mass, greatly impacted his life, as is apparent in this segment of one of his letters to the Order of Friars Minor: "Let the whole of mankind tremble, the whole world shake, and the heavens exult when Christ, the Son of the living God, is [present] on the altar in the hands of a priest. O admirable heights and sublime lowliness! O sublime humility! O humble sublimity! That the Lord of the universe, God and the Son of God, so humbles Himself that for our salvation He hides Himself under the little form of bread! Look, brothers, at the humility of God and pour out your hearts before Him! Humble yourselves, as well, that you may be exalted by Him. Therefore, hold back nothing of yourselves for yourselves so that He Who gives Himself totally to you may receive you totally." May we continue to cultivate a love for our Lord in the Holy Eucharist and allow that to strengthen us and transform our lives.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

El mes de octubre es dedicado al Santo Rosario y ha sido designado como el Mes del Respeto por la Vida. Durante este mes es la festividad de San Juan Pablo II. San Juan Pablo II era un ferviente promotor del rosario y del Evangelio de la Vida, implorándonos a imitar a la Santísima Madre siguiendo la voluntad de Dios y enseñándonos que el principio más fundamental de la enseñanza social católica es la dignidad de la persona humana. Todo ser humano en cada etapa de la vida, desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural, tiene un valor intrínseco. Oremos este mes para que nuestra sociedad reconozca y reverencie la dignidad de la vida humana y defienda y proteja a los más vulnerables.

También dirigimos nuestra atención a San Francisco de Asís, cuyo día festivo es este fin de semana, el cuatro de octubre. San Francisco es conocido por su vida de pobreza y amor a la creación. Por eso invocamos la intercesión de San Francisco cuando bendecimos a las mascotas este domingo. Nació en 1181 en Asís, Italia, y murió el 3 de octubre de 1226. Era hijo de un comerciante y disfrutaba de la riqueza de su padre. Después de muchos años de buscar glorias y placeres terrenales, gradualmente experimentó una conversión y se sintió llamado a servir a nuestro Señor cuando tuvo una experiencia de Cristo mientras rezaba ante el crucifijo en la iglesia de San Damiano. San Francisco renunció a sus posesiones y dedicó su vida al servicio de Dios y del prójimo. Tenía una devoción ardiente por la eucaristía y es tradicionalmente conocido por el primer nacimiento navideño o belén. En la eucaristía y en la natividad, recordamos que nuestro Señor nos ama tanto que se humilló, descendió de la majestad del cielo y entró en nuestro mundo, en nuestras vidas y en nuestra pobreza, para compartir con nosotros las riquezas de su misericordia y gracia. San Francisco estaba asombrado por el amor y la humildad de Dios. Conformaba su vida a la de Cristo. El amor de Dios, experimentado en la Santa Misa, transformaba su vida, como se manifiesta en este segmento de una de sus cartas a la Orden de los Frailes Menores: "Todo hombre tema, todo el mundo se estremezca y exulte el cielo, cuando sobre el altar, en las manos del sacerdote, está Cristo, el hijo de Dios vivo. ¡Oh altura admirable y estupenda dignación! ¡Oh humildad sublime! ¡Oh humilde sublimidad, que el Señor Dios del universo e Hijo de Dios se humille de ese modo, hasta esconderse en un pequeño trozo de pan, por nuestra salvación! Miren, hermanos, la humildad de Dios y derramen ante él sus corazones; humíllense también ustedes, para que él los ensalce. No retengan nada pues, para ustedes, para que los acoja totalmente quien se ofrece totalmente a ustedes". Que continuemos cultivando el amor por nuestro Señor en la Sagrada Eucaristía y permitiendo que eso nos fortalezca y transforme nuestras vidas.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



**The candle in the sanctuary
is burning in memory of
ESTHER CASTILLO**

By: Silvia Castillo



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

**Jonnie Evans Sr.
Cheryl Hiles**

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

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

BICKFORD: Barbara Ciacio

BOURBONNAIS GROVE: Lavonne Linneman

BUTTERFIELD COURT: Pat Canfield

HERITAGE WOODS, Kankakee: Myrna Sandeno

HERITAGE WOODS, Manteno: Noralee Sirois

HOMEBOUND: Rose Kaminsky, Rosemary DiCarlo &
Jean Rykiel

LABELLA, Clifton: Kathleen Hardwick

LUTHER PLACE: Leola Mulvihill

PRESENCE HERITAGE LODGE: Dick Keethers

RIVERSIDE SENIOR CARE: David Africano

THE ARC, Dwight: Sylvia Lane

WESTWOOD OAKS: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

~ Jackie LaRoche	~ Leouva Muñoz Castillo
~ Alice Ramien	~ Leticia Muñoz
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Lucy Canales
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Bill Richley	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Bob Crane	~ Manuel Silva
~ Craig Robinson	~ Maria de la Luz Patiño
~ 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
~ Gene Rademacher	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Gloria Mendez	~ Sharon Burton
~ Iliana Andrade	~ 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 Martinez

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of October 4 - 12

Saturday, October 4

8:00 am Vocations to the Carmelite Community
(*Mystical Star Carmelite Community*)
9:00 am † Deceased Members of the Aune Family
(*Martha Aune*)
4:30 pm † Charles Birr (*Nancy Birr*)
6:00 pm † Por las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio
(*Maria Toledo*)

Sunday, October 5

8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen
(*Tyler & Hannah Laschen*)
9:30 am † Myron Lemenager (*Jackie Rabideau*)
† Wellas (Sr. Immaculée's Brother)
(*Missionary Lay Group of Blesses Boleslawa*)
11:30 am Raymond Manhalan (*Susan Denault*)
1:00 pm † Esther Castillo Frausto (*Familia Castillo*)
† Luis Antonio Martínez (*Elba Rosas*)
† Jaime López (*Graciela & José López*)
3:00 pm † Rose Mary Mattson (*Jackie Brady*)
5:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Monday, October 6

7:30 am Lorenzo Marsalli (*His Family*)

Tuesday, October 7

7:30 am † Lola Gierke (*Marie Marsalli*)
6:00 pm † Luis Francisco Llanos (*Alicia Gomez*)

Wednesday, October 8

7:30 am † Thrasilla Jancsak (*Margaret Ravens*)
12:00 pm Nicholas Hemberger & Darby Herbst
(*Robert & Barbara Boudreau*)

Thursday, October 9

7:30 am † Lola Gierke (*Joseph & Theresa Giacchino*)

Friday, October 10

7:30 am † Dorothy Brouillet (*Her Children*)
12:00 pm † Anna Einfeldt (*Einfeldt Family*)

Saturday, October 11

8:00 am † Dolores Pasel (*Betty Azzarelli*)
4:30 pm † Joseph Demers (*Don Demers*)
6:00 pm Por el Respeto a la Vida en Todas sus Etapas
(*Comité Pro-Vida*)

Sunday, October 12

8:00 am † Allen Kohn (*Pfeiffer Family*)
9:30 am † Birdie Blanchette (*Loved Ones*)
† Myrna King & Loreta Eich (*Char Nolte*)
11:30 am † Cheryl Hiles & † Juanita Reichert-Merrill
(*Fred Hiles*)
1:00 pm † Esther Castillo Frausto (*Familia Castillo*)
† Luis Antonio Martínez (*Elba Rosas*)
3:00 pm † Kathy Tjarks (*Bob & Marybeth McGrath*)
5:00 pm FOR ALL 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.*

*** 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.

ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY

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.*

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

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Facebook page: **Faith Formation Program**

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FFP Desk: Silvia Esparza & Sandra Díaz Ext. 419

OUTREACH

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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

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



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Website:

jp2kankakee.org



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St. John Paul II
Kankakee

PARISH COUNCIL

MEMBERS

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

FINANCE COUNCIL

MEMBERS

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

OFFERING/OFRENDA

September 27 & 28:\$8,513.07

Envelopes/On-Line: 174

- 151 Envelopes/23 -On Line Donors (\$2,000.00) -
(This information is being provided to keep you updated)

Monthly School Subsidy to BMCS: \$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*

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 dedicating their time organizing and distributing clothing to the needy, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge:

Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet Volunteers

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida
En agradecimiento por dedicar su tiempo a organizar y distribuir ropa a los necesitados, reconocemos y agradecemos a:

Voluntarios del Armario de Ropa Nuestro Pastor

*The family of St. John Paul II
Welcomes you!*



*Aurora E. Paz, Emilio Murillo,
Lionel Molinn, Eilyn S. Laiton,
Naia Zavala & Angeli E. Hernández*

Baptized on September 27, 2025

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, October 5

R1 - Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

R2 - 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

G - Luke 17:5-10

Monday, October 6

R1 - Jonah 1:1-2:1-2, 11

G - Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 7

Memorial of Our Lady of the
Rosary

R1 - Jonah 3:1-10

G - Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 8

R1 - Jonah 4:1-11

G - Luke 11:1-4

Thursday, October 9

R1 - Malachi 3:13-20b

G - Luke 11:5-13

Friday, October 10

R1 - Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2

G - Luke 11:15-26

Saturday, October 11

R1 - Joel 4:12-21

G - Luke 11:27-28

Twenty-eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 12

R1 - 2 Kings 5:14-17

R2 - 2 Timothy 2:8-13

G - Luke 17:11-19



THIS WEEK AT JPII

October 6 - 12

Monday, October 6

12:00-5:00 pm	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
2:00 pm	Lord Teach Me to Pray - Angel Room
5:30 pm	Rosary Making Group
7:00 pm	Reunión del Grupo Carismático - Iglesia

Tuesday, October 7

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

Wednesday, October 8

1:00 pm	Staff Meeting
6:00 pm	Faith Formation Program / Doctrina Confirmation 2 Meeting

Thursday, October 9

5:00 pm	Confessions/Confesiones
6:30 pm	Adult Choir Practice
6:30 am	GIFT - Conference Room
7:00 pm	Perseverancia - Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, October 10

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
12:00 pm	UMOS - Holy Family Hall
6:00 am	Words of Wisdom - Holy Family Hall

Saturday, October 11

6:30 am	Men of St. Joseph - Conference Room
9:00 am	Scrapbooking - Lisieux Center
12:00 pm	Young on Fire - Livestream Rosary
3:30 pm	Confessions/Confesiones
4:00 pm	Clases Pre-Bautismales - Holy Family Hall
7:00 pm	Hora Santa de la Divina Misericordia

Sunday, October 12

9:00 am	Estudio Bíblico (Hombres)
10:30 pm	Blood Pressure Screening
1:00 pm	Clases Pre-Bautismales - Holy Family Hall
6:30 pm	Blue Knights - Holy Family Hall
6:30 pm	Vespers

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).

Azzarelli Clinic

We are having a

**"flu shot"
clinic**

on

**Wednesday,
October 8**

from **9-11am.**

Let's **MAKE** Disciples for Jesus!

Download and read Bishop
Hicks' new pastoral letter,
MAKE, to discover how you
and your loved ones can live as
disciples and help make other
disciples in your community.



MAKE.diojoliet.org



MAKE

A Pastoral Letter for the People
of the Diocese of Joliet

¡Hagamos discípulos para Jesús!

Descargue y lea la nueva carta
pastoral del Obispo Hicks,
MAKE, para descubrir cómo
usted y sus seres queridos
pueden vivir como discípulos y
ayudar a hacer otros discípulos
en su comunidad.



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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

DID YOU KNOW?

41 Volunteers are needed for the 5 English Masses each weekend
164 volunteers are needed each month

43 Volunteers are needed for Christmas Eve & Day
29 for Holy Week & **28** for Easter Sunday

We currently only have **85** total volunteers
How can **you** help?

Liturgical Ministries Sign up weekend
October 4th and 5th

FREEWILL

Plant roots through your plan

By including a bequest in your will this
spring, you can create a legacy that
supports our parish and ministries for
years to come.



St JOHN PAUL II
CATHOLIC PARISH

Scan the QR code or visit [FreeWill.com/
DioceseofJoliet](http://FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet) to use a free will-writing
tool to get started.



MINISTRY TRAINING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

LECTORS 1:00-1:30PM

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS 1:30-2:00PM

SACRISTIANs & LINENS 2:00-2:30PM

USHERS 2:30-3:00PM

TRAINING IN THE CHURCH

QUESTIONS? CONTACT CHRISTOPHER

St John Paul II
Living Rosary
October 15th
6:30pm
At the Church
Lead by CCW

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, October 11 Sábado, 11 de Octubre		Sunday, October 12 Domingo, 12 de Octubre				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTORS	Ryan Carter	Rogelio Benítez José López	David Palmer	Sharon Jackson	Steve Kelley	Jorge Flores Elia López	Victor Rosales
USHERS	Laura Carter Mary Causer	Virginia Ayala Juana Moreno María Guerrero Eloísa Ayala	Kathy Bessette Jon Guimond Catherine Langlois <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Kathryn Griffiths Sharon Jackson Mickey Kreissler Janice Shenk	Raymond Colevris Rosa Gonzalez	Marina Reza Eulalio Valadez Sanjuana Valadez	Ian Quezada
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Flor Rojas	Kenneth Klipp	Deb Groth	Pedro Gonzalez	Patricia Martínez	
COMMUNION MINISTERS			David Lystila <i>Brenda Lystila</i>	Sheryl Scanlon <i>Thomas Martin</i>		Rogelio Canchola Fidel Villagrán <i>Kimberly Candelario</i>	
GREETER				Kathryn Griffiths			
ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Jade Carrera Miguel Sánchez Michelle Tetlalmatzi	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Mia Moreno Olivia Moreno Sofia Moreno	Benjamin Bilderback Athziri Pina Xavy Reyes	Yazeni Calderon Litzzy Campos Alexa Campos	Alexander Tapp

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

WEEKDAY MINISTERS /MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Oct. 6 - 11	John Akai	Mickey Kreissler
Martes 7	José & Julisa Rubio	Flor Rojas
Linens/Lienzos: Week Oct. 5: Karen Bajt; Oct. 12 & 19: Sandy Girard		



Join us on
Saturday, October 18, 2025
JPH/Settles Center

BUY YOUR DINNER TICKETS NOW !!!

For only **\$25.00** includes:

Dinner (Brats, Taco's & Several side dishes and dessert),
Entertainment, Live Auction, Raffles, and a Cash Bar
Doors open at 5:00 pm - Dinner from 5:30-7:00pm

Music by Todd Donnelly
(from Mr. Myers Band) - Caribbean style music -
and DJ Leonel Jaramillo

RAFFLE SQUARES BOARDS:

\$20.00 per square - Trip to Florida
\$10.00 per square - \$500.00 cash
\$10.00 per square - \$300.00 gift card to Southside meats
\$10.00 per square - 36" Blackstone Griddle
\$10.00 per square - Alcohol Cart
\$5.00 per square - 1 dessert a month for 3 months/Baked by our own Sharon Jackson

ALL PROCEEDS
GO TO JPH PARISH

SPONSORED BY
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BLESSING OF PETS AND ANIMALS

BENDICIÓN DE **LOS ANIMALES Y MASCOTAS**



Sunday, October 5, 2025

6:00 p.m.

In front of the Rectory (next to the church)

Kankakee Deanery CCW Board

The Board would like to invite all women of St. John Paul II to attend our next board meeting. It is with a desire for your input and ideas. Our meeting is **October 27, 2025 (5:00 p.m.)** at St. John Paul II. Any questions, please contact Rhonda Berns at 815-545-9519.

OKTOBERFEST is almost here!

Please remember to turn in your Oktoberfest tree leaf donations on **October 5th!** Place them in the bins or, if they are gift cards, put them in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Oktoberfest."

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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 jp2kankakee.org or, 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

Open Oct. 7 & 8 at 9:00 am

For details please call [815-928-6093](tel: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



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats for Healing After Abortion

MERCY, COMPASSION, FORGIVENESS...

If you are suffering from grief after having had an abortion, remember that God always offers forgiveness. Nothing is unforgivable and the Church is the hospital of healing. Just as the father ran to the prodigal son when he came home, so too is God waiting with open arms to receive you back home!

2025 Retreat Dates Oct. 17-19

Our Lady of the Angels Retreat Center
at Sisters of Mt. Assisi - Lemont, IL

Information, prayer, registration call: 815-370-8118 or 815-634-3796 or go to www.rachelsvineyard.org

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Fechas de los Retiros 2025 17-19 de Octubre

Centro de Retiro Our Lady of the Angels
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"We are called to be signs of hope to all people, especially those whose goodness, value, and dignity are undermined. As members of the Body of Christ, we carry this hope with us as we continue Jesus' mission on earth... We have been entrusted with a message of hope for the woman who finds herself unexpectedly pregnant or for the man diagnosed with a terminal illness. At these challenging moments, we must bring God's presence, witnessing to His love, and inspiring a renewal of hope in those whose hearts are burdened."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: "Life: Our Sign of Hope"

"Estamos llamados a ser signos de esperanza para todas las personas, especialmente para aquellas cuya bondad, valor y dignidad se ven socavados. Como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo, llevamos esta esperanza con nosotros mientras continuamos la misi3n de Jes3s en la tierra... Se nos ha confiado un mensaje de esperanza para la mujer que tiene un embarazo inesperado o para el hombre a quien se le diagnostica una enfermedad terminal. En estos momentos difciles, debemos llevar la presencia de Dios, dando testimonio de Su amor e inspirando una renovaci3n de la esperanza en aquellas personas que tienen el coraz3n agobiado".

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB Reflexi3n de Respetemos la vida: "Vida: nuestro signo de esperanza"



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.

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OLD TESTAMENT:
Fr. Roy Jacob CMI

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11:00 am - 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
PLACE: Conference Room

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

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Season 9 - Session #2

Friday, October 10
at 6:00 pm

In the Holy Family Hall
September's Book selection:

Jesus & the Jubilee

By John S. Bergsma



- GIFT -
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Thursday,
October 9
6:30 pm

The Bible and the Church Fathers
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Session 4:
"Inspiration & Authority"

Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859



Rosary Making
Fabricación de Rosarios
Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, October 6
Lunes, 6 de octubre

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, October 11

Sábado, 11 de Octubre

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JUBILEE YEAR 2025 CELEBRATIONS



On October 8-9, our Holy Father will remember in prayer and celebrate with those who have heard the call from God to live in the Religious and Consecrated Life. This weekend let us pray for an increase in vocations to the Religious and Consecrated Life. Let us also take time to remember those who in the Religious and Consecrated Life have ministered to us throughout our lives. Whenever we see them, let us thank them for their example of saying "yes" when God called them to service among His people.

Jubilee Year Universal Prayers for October

October 8-9

That the women and men who have heard the call from God to live in Religious and Consecrated Life may be remembered with gratitude for all the ways they have ministered to us, and may our Church be blessed by our God with an increase in those vocations, let us pray to the Lord

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