

St. JOHN PAUL II

CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY • SÁBADO

English

4:30 pm Vigil Mass

Español

6:00 pm Misa de Vigilia

SUNDAY • DOMINGO

English

8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Español

1:00 pm

Latin

3:00 pm

Vespers

6:30 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

English

Monday - Friday 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

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:00 - 5:45 pm

Conference Room

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 20, 2026
XXV Domingo Ordinario | 20 de septiembre de 2026



“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”

St. John Paul II Parish Contacts

815-933-7683

Office Hours | Horario de Oficina

Monday-Thursday | Lunes- Jueves 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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Deb Groth - Secretary	Pedro Gonzalez
Gabriel Mendez	Randy Howard
Bob Kerness	

Finance Council

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

Bishop McNamara Catholic School

www.bishopmac.com

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Bourbonnais Site

Sue Goselin, Principal - 815-933-7758

Bradley Site

Dana Berg, Principal - 815-933-8013

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.

JPII SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS



Website



Facebook



YouTube

In the event of a death or near death, please call the parish office and press # for a priest.

En caso de fallecimiento o de una situación cercana a la muerte, llama a la oficina parroquial y presión # para hablar con un sacerdote.

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.

Online Giving



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

Una forma sencilla de apoyar la labor de tu parroquia. ¡Solo tienes que escanear el código QR para hacer tu donación por Internet!

S A C R A M E N T S

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).

S A C R A M E N T O S

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).

Bulletin Requests

Please email Christopher all requests at least one week before the weekend requested. Cut off is 12:00pm Friday for the following week's bulletin.

Catechetical Sunday Message from Bishop Dennis E. Spies

Happy Catechetical Sunday, everyone! We begin the preparation for our school year, and as we learn our catechesis, which is the passing on of our faith to our younger generation, we ourselves can grow in our understanding of our faith—and as we do, please teach it to your children.

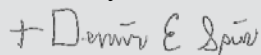
And I want to offer gratitude for Directors of Religious Ed in every parish—gratitude and thanks to all the teachers of every age level that teach our catechism week after week after week. It's a beautiful thing to see the different age levels learning about their faith and learning about it at their own level.

We are all called to become saints, and one of the ways we learn how to become saints is to learn the ways of the Lord, to learn the teachings of the church. The best way to grow in the image and likeness of our Lord Jesus is to know all about him, all that he did and that he said and that he taught. The example he had of growing up in a family—realizing that we are all growing up in a family—and to make the connection of what we're learning in class to our life at home.

So, parents, please continue to ask your children what they're learning and answer their questions. If you don't know, ask them to ask their teachers, ask your pastor when you see them and allow your children to learn and reflect about the Lord Jesus and growing up in his life.

One other thing I want to make sure I share is we can learn a lot about Jesus, but the really important part of our Catechesis, of handing on our faith, is learning how to pray—realizing that God is available to his saints whenever we call upon him. Teach your children to pray. Teach them how to pray and show them the heart of prayer in union with our Lord Jesus as he prayed to His Father.

Sincerely in Christ,



Bishop Dennis E. Spies
Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese of Joliet



Mensaje del Domingo Catequético del Obispo Dennis E. Spies

¡Feliz domingo catequético a todos! Comenzamos la preparación para nuestro año escolar y, a medida que aprendemos la catequesis, que es la transmisión de nuestra fe a la generación más joven, nosotros mismos podemos crecer en nuestra comprensión de nuestra fe—y al hacerlo, por favor, enseñemos a nuestros hijos.

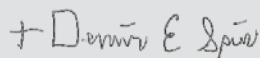
Y quiero ofrecer gratitud a los Directores de la Educación Religiosa de cada parroquia—gratitud y agradecimiento a todos los profesores de todas las edades que enseñan nuestro catecismo semana tras semana tras semana. Es algo hermoso ver cómo los diferentes niveles de edad aprenden sobre su fe y la aprenden a su propio nivel.

Todos estamos llamados a ser santos, y una de las formas en que aprendemos a serlo es aprendiendo los caminos del Señor, aprendiendo las enseñanzas de la iglesia. La mejor manera de crecer a imagen y semejanza de nuestro Señor Jesús es conocerlo todo, todo lo que hizo, dijo y enseñó. El ejemplo que tuvo de crecer en una familia—darse cuenta de que todos estamos creciendo en una familia—y conectar lo que aprendemos en clase con nuestra vida en casa.

Así que, padres, por favor, sigan preguntando a sus hijos qué están aprendiendo y contesten sus preguntas. Si no lo saben, pidan que pregunten a sus maestros, preguntar a su pastor cuando lo veán y permitir que sus hijos aprendan y reflexionen sobre el Señor Jesús y su crecimiento en su vida.

Otra cosa que quiero asegurarme de compartir es que podemos aprender mucho sobre Jesús, pero la parte realmente importante de nuestra catequesis, de transmitir nuestra fe, es aprender a orar—darnos cuenta de que Dios está disponible para sus santos siempre que le llamemos. Enseñe a sus hijos a orar. Enséñeles a orar y muéstreles el corazón de la oración en unión con nuestro Señor Jesús tal y como oró a su Padre.

Atentamente en Cristo,



Obispo Dennis E. Spies
Administrador Apostólico para la Diócesis de Joliet

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 20

R1 - Isaiah 55:6-9

R2 - Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

G - Matthew 20:1-16a

Feast of St. Matthew

Monday, September 21

R1 - Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13

G - Matthew 9:9-13

Tuesday, September 22

R1 - Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13

G - Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 23

R1 - Proverbs 30:5-9

G - Luke 9:1-6

Thursday, September 24

R1 - Ecclesiastes 1:2-11

G - Luke 9:7-9

Friday, September 25

R1 - Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

G - Luke 9:18-22

Saturday, September 26

R1 - Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8

G - Luke 9:43b-45

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 27

R1 - Ezekiel 18:25-28

R2 - Philippians 2:1-11

G - Matthew 21:28-32

THIS WEEK AT JP II

Monday, September 21

12:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
5:30 pm	Rosary Making Group - Conference Rm.
7:00 pm	Parish Council Meeting - Conference Rm.
7:00 pm	Reunión del Grupo Carismático

Tuesday, September 22

9:00 am	Clothing Closet - Lisieux
10:00 am	Fatima Rosary Group
11:00 am	Bible Study - Conference Room
5:00 pm	Confessions/Confesiones
6:00 pm	Faith Formation/Doctrina
6:00 pm	Confirmation 1 Meeting - Holy Fam. Hall
7:00 pm	Bible Study - Conference Room

Wednesday, September 23

12:00 pm	Latin Mass
6:00 pm	Faith Formation/Doctrina
6:00 pm	Confirmation 1 Meeting - Holy Fam. Hall

Thursday, September 24

5:00 pm	Confessions/Confesiones
6:00 pm	Encuentros Juveniles - Hall & Classrooms
6:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal - Church
6:30 pm	GIFT - Conference Room

Friday, September 25

9:00 am	Food Pantry - East Campus
9:00 am	Clothing Closet - Lisieux
10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
12:00 pm	Latin Mass

Saturday, September 26

6:30 am	Men of St. Joseph - Conference Rm.
8:30 am	Rosary Making Group - Conference Rm.
11:00 am	Baptism - Spanish
12:00 pm	Young on Fire Rosary Live Stream
3:30 pm	Confessions/Confesiones

Sunday, September 27

10:30 am	CCW Membership Brunch - Settles Ctr.
6:30 pm	Vespers

Upcoming Events • Próximos Eventos

Sept. 29th 7:30 pm	OCIA Classes Begin
Oct. 3rd 8:00 pm	Nocturnal Adoration
Oct. 4th 6:00 pm	Blessing of Pets - in Front of Rectory

CONGRATULATIONS

COLIN FURROW & KARILYN ROSS

MARRIED SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026



Adoración Nocturna

Sábado, 3 de octubre, 2026

8:00pm - 2:00am (o más tarde)

En la Iglesia y en el Salón de la Sagrada Familia



OFFERING • OFRENDA

September 12 & 13: \$8,795.35

Envelopes: 148 | Online Donors: 26

Envelopes & Online: 174

BMCS Monthly School Subsidy: \$6,823.67

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,517.00

Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost | Sobres: \$435.00

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

THANK YOU • GRACIAS



The sanctuary lamp is burning in
memory of
Alma Gloria Orellana
Requested by *Silvia Esparza*

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

ARC, Kankakee: Myrna Sandeno
Bickford House: Barbara Ciaccio
Butterfield Court: Pat Canfield, Cheryl Heldt
Faith Place, Danforth: Lavonne Linneman
Homebound: Rose Kaminsky
LaBella of Clifton: Kathleen Hardwick
Luther Place: Leola Mulvihill
Riverside Senior Care: David Africano
ARC, Dwight: Sylvia Lane
Westwood Oaks: Desiree Grant

PRAYING FOR THE SICK ORANDO POR LOS ENFERMOS

~ Albert Kanosky	~ Kathy Dechenne
~ Alice Ramien	~ Kelli Burson
~ Antõnio Serna	~ Kevin Schaumburg
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Leticia Muñoz
~ 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	~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
~ Darby Thomas	~ Pat Crane
~ Darlene Fortin	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Debbie Turner	~ Ramiro Castillo
~ Elia López	~ Richard Frey
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Iliana Andrade	~ Sharon Burton
~ Irma Castillo	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Jerome Holohan	~ Tom Sauch
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Tony Rosas
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	~ Virginia Estrada
~ Judith Lozano	~ Virginia Pronger
~ Julia Moreno	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Kathy Call	~ 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 wbjepson69@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19

4:30 pm † Howard Miller (*Ron Hansen*)
6:00 pm Para la Gente de la Parroquia

Sunday, September 20

8:00 am † Evie Lystila (*Dave & Brenda Lystila*)
9:30 am † Patricia Crane (*Family*)
† Valerie Nanos Horwath (*Family*)
11:30 am † Jack Klasey (*Glory Klasey & Family*)
1:00 pm † Alma Gloria Orellana (*Silvia Esparza*)
† Alfonso Contreras Abetea (*Lilia Villanueva*)
† Dagberto Villagran (*Gabriel y Lupita Mendez*)
Rosa y Daniel Varela (*Daniel Varela, Jr.*)
† Alma Serna (*Yesenia y Familia*)
3:00 pm † Jaymie Falkenhan (*Azzarelli Family*)
5:00 pm † Robert Pfeiffer (*Family*)

Monday, September 21

7:30 am † Paul Gerth (*Greg & Julie Azzarelli*)

Tuesday, September 22

7:30 am † Cheryl Hiles (*Fred Hiles*)
6:00 pm Por las intenciones del Santo Padre

Wednesday, September 23

7:30 am † Jim Buckley (*His Siblings*)
12:00 pm Special Family Intention (*Bob & Barbara Boudreau*)

Thursday, September 24

7:30 am For the Intentions of the Holy Father

Friday, September 25

7:30 am Poor Souls in Purgatory
12:00 pm † Mary Theresa Franco (*Bob & Zondra Cross*)

Saturday, September 26

8:00 am For an End to All Wars
4:30 pm † Lee Ann Hollywood (*Len & Connie Smith*)
6:00 pm † Emilia Lira, † Reyna Lira y Benditas Animas del Purgatorio (*Emy Lira*)

Sunday, September 27

8:00 am † Betty Harstad (*Dave & Brenda Lystila*)
9:30 am † Howard Miller (*Ron Hansen*)
† Patricia Crane (*Family*)
11:30 am August & Jeane Pierre Family (*Danielle Auguste*)
1:00 pm Benditas almas del purgatorio
3:00 pm For the People of the Parish
5:00 pm † Jean Rykiel (*Mike & Linda Ahern*)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MINISTERIOS						
Ministry Schedule is subject to change. Please consult MSP for the most accurate schedule.						
Weekend of September 26 & 27 Fin de semana del 26 y 27 de Septiembre						
Saturday	Lector	Usher	Altar Server	Sacristan	Comm. Minister	Greeter
4:30pm	Cynthia McBarnes	Sandy Kuntz Richard McBarnes		Annie Syrstad		
6:00pm	Rogelio Benitez Karina Toledo	Oralia Candelario Fabian Rubio Maria Saldivar Jazmin y Pablo	Axel Rubio Fabian Rubio	Luis Enrique Ayala Juana Maria Lugo		
Sunday 8:00am	Jose Nambo	Kerri Lilienthal John Lilienthal		Kathy Bessette	Catherine Langlois <i>Kathy Bessette</i>	
9:30am	Judith Smead	Kathryn Griffiths Steve Kelley Janice Shenk Mary Westover	Olivia Moreno-Rosas Mia Moreno-Rosas Sofia Moreno-Rosas	Deb Groth	Mickey Kreissler <i>Fran Powers</i>	Cynthia Martin
11:30am	Cynthia Somerville	Rosa Gonzalez Pedro Gonzalez	Benjamin Bilderback Elizabeth Garcia Athziri Pina	Rosa Gonzalez		
1:00pm	Jeremy Hernandez Silvia Esparza	Lucy Canales Ricardo Esparza Maria de Jesus Garcia Octavio Garcia	Yazen Calderon Emily Canchola Cynthia Canchola	Patricia Martinez	Kimberly Candelario Silvia Esparza <i>Rogelio Canchola</i>	
3:00pm			Elijah Wales Isaiah Wales			
5:00pm	Virginia Marsick	NOT FILLED	Alexander Tapp			

WEEKDAY MINISTER • MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA			
Date	Lector	Sacristan	Altar Servers
September 21-26	Sharon Jackson	Mickey Kreissler	
September 23 Latin Mass			Xavier Alcorn
September 25 Latin Mass			Kilian Brady
Martes 22	Victor Bolivar	Flor Rojas	
LINENS • LIENZOS Week of September 20: Marcia Klasey Weeks of September 27 & October 4: Karen Bajt			

Thank you to all our volunteers for their hard work selling, unloading, and delivering the mums. We also want



to THANK ALL OF YOU FOR PURCHASING THE MUMS. We raised JUST over \$2000 for Lisieux Outreach Ministries Center of JPIL.

Prayer for a New Bishop

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church of Joliet who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



Oración por un nuevo obispo

Oh Dios, pastor eterno, que gobiernas a tu rebaño con cuidado inquebrantable, concédenos, en tu amor paternal sin límites, un pastor para tu Iglesia de Joliet que te complazca con su santidad y nos brinde su cuidado atento.

Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

Amén.



Classes for adults who need their sacraments or who want to become Catholic will begin soon, please call the office to register.

Las clases para adultos que necesitan sus sacramentos o que quieren hacerse católicos comenzarán pronto, llamen a la oficina para inscribirse.



BEATIFICATION OF
ARCHBISHOP
**FULTON J.
SHEEN**

Eternal Father, You alone grant us every blessing in Heaven and on earth, through the redemptive mission of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and by the working of the Holy Spirit. If it be according to Your Will, glorify Your servant, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, by granting the favor I now request through his prayerful intercession (mention your request here) I make this prayer confidently through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Imprimatur: +Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C., Bishop of Peoria

Padre Eterno, sólo Tú concedes todas las bendiciones en el Cielo y en la Tierra, a través de la misión redentora de Tu Hijo y de la acción del Espíritu Santo. Si es Tu voluntad, glorifica a Tu siervo el Arzobispo Fulton J. Sheen, concediendo el favor que ahora te pido a través de su devota intercesión (mencione su intención). Hago esta confiada oración a través de Jesucristo nuestro Señor. Amen

Imprimatur: +Reverendísimo Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C., Obispo de Peoria

*CCW Membership
Champagne
Branch*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH
10:30AM
SETTLES CENTER

Sign up in the Back of Church

GRAN KERMÉS!
DIA DE LA INDEPENDENCIA

St. JOHN PAUL II
CATHOLIC PARISH

956 S. 10th Ave. Kankakee, IL
Domingo, 20 de septiembre, 2026
de 12-6pm

Lotería, Rifas, Spanish Bingo,
Comidas, Boda Raffles, Food,
Civil, Bailables, Folkloric dances,
Musica, y Mucho Music, and so
Mas!! much more!!

Enter to win
Princess House Brunch
\$500
\$200

TICKET

**OPERATION
ANDREW
DINNER**

Young men and their fathers are invited to join Bishop Dennis Spies and several area priests for dinner, conversation, and testimonials about their own vocation stories.

There will be opportunity for a question-and-answer session and meeting other young men open to the priesthood.

Queen of Apostles Parish
18 Woodlawn Ave
Joliet, IL 60435

OCT | 1 | 6PM

Open to high school and young adult age men and their fathers

SCAN ME

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

East Campus - 341 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

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

Azzarelli Clinic Main Ext. 414

Azzarelli Clinic Director: Brooke Futterer Ext. 416 bfutterer@jp2kankakee.org

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



KANKAKEE CATHOLIC FOOD PANTRY

OPEN FRIDAY'S FROM 9:00AM TO 11:00AM

OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

Every week we are feeding between 150-180 families.

We are looking for both monetary & non-perishable food donations like peanut butter, jelly, cereal, boxed stuffing, Jell-O, pudding, pasta, granola bars, and pancake mix.

Donations can be dropped off at the pantry or at St. John Paul II Parish. For Monetary Donations go to jp2kankakee.org, by mail: Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry 956 S. 10th Ave. Kankakee, IL 60901



As the season starts to change we are needing a few items to help with
Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet
for our patrons.

MENS NEW UNDERWEAR

- Mens Long Underwear
- Mens Casual Shoes and Gym Shoes
- Mens Jeans
- Mens Sweatpants and Sweatshirts
- Mens Coats
- Womens Socks
- Womens Size 6 New Underwear
- Womens Sweatshirts
- Deodorant
- Body Wipes
- Toothbrush/ Toothpaste

Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

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

Please call for an appointment



For details 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 Friday's
9:00am to 11:00am



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 - Sunday - 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Vespers, consisting of praying with psalms and scripture. Ending 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

**Tuesday's
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**

Seeking a Deeper Spiritual Life?

Prayerfully consider attending a Lay Carmelite
Community meeting.

**Saturday, October 3, 2026 at 9:00 am
JP2 Conference Room**

All are Welcome!!

For More Info Call/Text Theresa Doehring at
815-592-1181



Words of Wisdom Book Club

Season 10 - Session 2
Friday, October 9th 6:00pm
Holy Family Hall

Book Selection

My Son Carlo
By Antonia Salzano Acutis
with Paolo Rodari

GIFT

Growing in Faith Together
Fall 2026

"The Footprints of God"
by Stephen Ray

Thursday, September 24th

"Abraham" Pt. I

6:30pm in the
Conference Room

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

Rosary Making

Fabricación de Rosarios

**Monday, September 21
Lunes, 21 de Septiembre
5:30 - 7:00 pm**



Conference Room

For Questions Call:
Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

**Saturday, September 26
Sábado, 26 de Septiembre
8:30 - 10:00 am**

ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH MEN OF SAINT JOSEPH

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Dates:

September 27th (Prayer service - not a mass)

October 25th

November 22nd

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PARISH GOAL: \$53,500.00
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