

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.

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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 9, 2025
V Domingo Ordinario - 9 de Febrero, 2025

"Here I am," I said; "send me!"

"¡Aquí estoy, Señor, envíame!".



"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!"

"¡Apártate de mí, Señor, porque soy un pecador!"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's first reading, Isaiah responded to the Lord, "Here I am; send me!" In the Gospel, Jesus called His first Apostles: after a dramatic catch of fish, our Lord said to the fishermen, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." They left everything they had and immediately followed Jesus. I think of my own response to following God's call in my life. I still get asked the question: "Father, when did you know you were going to be a priest?" People often want to know not only when, but how. It is first important to recall that the word vocation comes from the Latin word vocare, which means "to call". One cannot know one's vocation if he does not listen, if he does not hear God calling, if he does not pay attention to God speaking to the depths of the heart. Prayer and self-awareness are essential parts of discernment. When I was a sophomore in high school, after meeting seminarians and hearing the stories of young men who were willing to give their lives to Christ and His Church, the idea of the priesthood stayed on my mind and in my heart. I couldn't shake it. So, I entered seminary immediately after high school. When preparing for the priesthood, the more I got to know our Lord and His Church and the more I prayed, studied, and was active in the parish, the more I fell in love with our Lord and His Church and felt drawn in the direction of the parish priesthood. There are young men in this parish who are called to the priesthood. There are also men and women in this parish who are called to the religious life. There are many men and women in this parish called to holy matrimony. All of these vocations, these callings, work together to build up the Church. We are all called to holiness and to help each other live holy and virtuous lives. Just as engaged couples often go to married couples for advice, I want to encourage those who are thinking about the priesthood or religious life to speak with one of the priests, deacons, or sisters. Discernment does not happen alone, and there are many resources to help one to discern God's will. Let us continue to strive to follow God's will in our daily lives, and let us encourage our sons and daughters in our parish to use their gifts for a great purpose in every state of life (married, consecrated, ordained): for the building up of the Kingdom of God. Please continue to pray for one another, and know of my continued prayers for you.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

En la primera lectura de hoy, Isaías respondió al Señor: "Aquí estoy, Señor, ¡envíame!" En el Evangelio, Jesús llamó a sus primeros apóstoles: después de una pesca dramática, nuestro Señor les dijo a Simón Pedro y a los pescadores: "No temas; desde ahora serás pescador de hombres." Dejaron todo e inmediatamente siguieron a Jesús. Pienso en mi propia respuesta al llamado de Dios en mi vida. Todavía personas me preguntan: "Padre, ¿cuándo supo que iba a ser sacerdote?" Muchas veces quieren saber no sólo cuándo, sino cómo. Primero es importante recordar que la palabra vocación proviene de la palabra latina vocare, que significa "llamar". Uno no puede saber su vocación si no escucha el llamando de Dios, si no presta atención a Dios hablándole a lo profundo del corazón. La oración y la autoconciencia son partes esenciales del discernimiento. Cuando yo era estudiante de segundo año en la escuela secundaria, después de conocer a los seminaristas y escuchar las historias de jóvenes que estaban dispuestos a dedicar sus vidas a Cristo y a su Iglesia, la idea del sacerdocio permaneció en mi mente y en mi corazón. No podía quitarla. Por eso ingresé al seminario cuando tenía 18 años. Cuanto más conocía a nuestro Señor y su Iglesia y cuanto más oraba, estudiaba y participaba activamente en la parroquia, más me enamoraba nuestro Señor y su Iglesia y me sentía atraído en la dirección del sacerdocio parroquial. Hay jóvenes en esta parroquia que son llamados al sacerdocio. En esta parroquia también hay hombres y mujeres llamados a la vida religiosa. Hay muchos hombres y mujeres llamados al santo matrimonio. Todas estas vocaciones, estos llamados, trabajan juntos para edificar la Iglesia. Todos estamos llamados a la santidad y a ayudarnos unos a otros a vivir vidas santas y virtuosas. Así como las parejas comprometidas acuden a las parejas casadas en busca de consejo, quiero animar a aquellos que están pensando en el sacerdocio o la vida religiosa a hablar con uno de los sacerdotes, diáconos o hermanas. El discernimiento no ocurre solo, y hay muchos recursos para ayudar a discernir la voluntad de Dios. Sigamos esforzándonos por seguir la voluntad de Dios en nuestras vidas diarias, y animemos a nuestros hijos e hijas de nuestra parroquia a usar sus dones para un gran propósito en cada estado de vida (casados, consagrados, ordenados): para la edificación del Reino de Dios. Por favor, continúen orando los unos por los otros y conozcan mis oraciones por ustedes.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo

**The candle in the sanctuary
is burning in memory of
GEORGE & GABRIELE KREUTZER**

By: Kreutzer Family



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

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 Ciacchio

BOURBONNAIS GROVE: Lavonne Linneman

BUTTERFIELD COURT: Pat Canfield

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MILLER REHAB CENTER: Colleen Brown

PRAIRIEVIEW, Danforth:

PRESENCE HERITAGE LODGE: Dick Keethers

RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:

SENIOR CARE: David Africano

WESTWOOD OAKS: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

~ Adrien Raymond	~ Kathy Call
~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche	~ Kathy Dechenne
~ Alice Ramien	~ Kelli Burson
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Baby Wyatt & Parents	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Manuel Silva
~ Birdie Blanchette	~ Maria de la Luz Patiño
~ Bob Crane	~ Maria Toledo
~ Carol Gean Veranda	~ Mia Martin
~ Carol Loiselle	~ Naomi
~ Charlene Russell	~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
~ Craig Robinson	~ Nicole & David
~ Daniel Wulffe	~ Pat Crane
~ Darby Thomas	~ Paul Gerth
~ Debbie Turner	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Desiree Grant	~ Robert & Kathy Lenzi
~ Elia López	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Sharon Burton
~ Frances Powers	~ Sylvia Lane
~ Gloria Mendez	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Harry Carpenter	~ Tom Sauch
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Vito Scafiezzo
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Julia Moreno	

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of February 8 - 16

Saturday, February 8

8:00 am † Dereck Ader (*Carol Ader*)

4:30 pm † Arthur Yonke (*Greg & Julie Azzarelli*)

6:00 pm POR LAS PERSONAS ENFERMAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Sunday, February 9

8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen (*John & Nancy Scanlon*)

9:30 am Neil Lumangtad (*Janice Lumangtad*)

Sr. Sue (*Char, Birdie & Candy*)

† Leroy Dandurand (*Cheryl Heldt*)

11:30 am † Gabriele Kreutzer (*Family*)

1:00 pm † Miembros Fallecidos del CCW (*JPII CCW*)

Eulalio Valadez

† Elvira Piña & † Rodolfo Canales (*Lucy Canales*)

3:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

5:00 pm † James Wagner (*Family & Friends*)

Monday, February 10

7:30 am Steven Marcotte (*Deb Marcotte*)

Tuesday, February 11

7:30 am † Judi Ward (*Marcia Scanlon*)

6:00 pm POR LAS PERSONAS ENFERMAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Wednesday, February 12

7:30 am † Barb Lagacy (*Her Family*)

12:00 pm Special Intention (*Joel Azzarelli*)

Thursday, February 13

7:30 am † Bruce Martel (*Janice Daniels*)

Friday, February 14

7:30 am † Juanita Reichert Merrill (*Fred & Cheryl Hiles*)

12:00 pm † Gerald Frechette (*Joyce Raspolich*)

Saturday, February 15

8:00 am Samuel Marion (*Deb Marcotte*)

4:30 pm Respect Life at All Stages (*Pro-Life Group*)

6:00 pm † Socorro Andrade (*José Alvarado*)

Sunday, February 16

8:00 am † Bev Stukenborg (*Dave & Brenda Lystila*)

9:30 am † Gerald Frechette (*Joyce Raspolich*)

Sr. Max (*Char, Birdie & Candy*)

11:30 am Rachel Marcotte (*Deb Marcotte*)

1:00 pm † Elvira Piña & † Rodolfo Canales (*Lucy Canales*)

† Ivonne Yareli Avalos Soto (*Carmen Rico*)

3:00 pm Fr. Matt, Fr. Roy & Fr. John
(*Rob & Barbara Boudreau*)

5:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

***** The Intention of this list is to pray for the seriously ill.
Please help us keep the list updated by calling us with any
changes. Thank You!**

*La intención de esta lista es rezar por quienes están seriamente
enfermos. Ayúdenos a mantenerla actualizada llamándonos.
¡Gracias!*

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

ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY



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- Gabriel Mendez
- Bob Kerness
- Maria Pizano-Calderon
- Uriel Garcia
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FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

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.*

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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

OFFERING/OFRENDAS

February 1 & 2

\$14,349.02

- 178 Envelopes/26 - On Line Donors (\$2,335) -

(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

THANK YOU GRACIAS

Please consider signing up for Online Giving...
it's easy and convenient:

Go to <https://jp2kankakee.weshareonline.org>

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 their service during Masses, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge:

**Lectors, Ushers, Sacristans,
Communion Ministers, Greeters &
Altar Servers**

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida
En agradecimiento por su servicio durante las
Misas, reconocemos y agradecemos
enormemente a:

**Lectores, Ujieres, Sacristanes, Ministros
de Comunión, Bienvenida y Monaguillos**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Sunday, February 9

R1 - Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

R2 - 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

G - Luke 5:1-11

Monday, February 10

Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin

R1 - Genesis 1:1-19

G - Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 11

R1 - Genesis 1:20-2:4a

G - Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 12

R1 - Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17

G - Mark 7:14-23

Thursday, February 13

R1 - Genesis 2:18-25

G - Mark 7:24-30

Friday, February 14

Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

R1 - Genesis 3:1-8

G - Mark 7:31-37

Saturday, February 15

R1 - Genesis 3:9-24

G - Mark 8:1-10

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Sunday, February 16

R1 - Jeremiah 17:5-8

R2 - 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

G - Luke 6:17, 20-26



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).

THIS WEEK AT JP II

February 10 - 16

Monday, February 10

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

5:00 pm Pro-Life Meeting

6:00 pm Practica del Ballet Folclórico

7:00 pm Reunión del Grupo Carismático - Iglesia

Tuesday, February 11

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 FFP - Class

7:00 pm Bible Study

7:30 pm OCIA

Wednesday, February 12

4:00 pm Priests' Deanery Meeting

6:00 pm FFP - Class

Thursday, February 13

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice - Church

7:00 pm Perseverancia - Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, February 14

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

7:00 pm Practica del Viacrucis

Saturday, February 15

6:30 am Men of St. Joseph - Study Group

11:00 am Baptisms (English) - If Needed

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream

3:30 pm Confessions/Confesiones

4:00 pm Clases Pre-bautismales - Español

Sunday, February 16

9:00 am Estudio Bíblico - Hombres

1:00 pm Clases Pre-bautismales - Español

6:30 pm Vespers

FUTURE EVENTS - DATES

Feb. 17 Parish Council Meeting

Feb. 19 Baptism Class (English) - If Needed

Feb. 21 Reunión del Consejo Hispano

Practica del Viacrucis

Feb. 24 CCW Deanery Meeting

Finance Council Meeting

Mar. 1 Men of St. Joseph

Carmelite Lay Meeting

1st Saturday Latin Mass

Adoración Nocturna

"Prepare your heart to receive Jesus"
"Reconciliation is the fastest way to change your life"

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, February 15 Sábado, 15 de Febrero		Sunday, February 16 Domingo, 16 de Febrero				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Sheryl Janik	Karina Toledo Elia Lépez	Jose Nambo	Laura Shellie	Annie Syrstad	Ricardo Valtierra Sanjuana Valadez	Rose Bailey
USHERS UJIERES	Raymond Colevris Ronald Dressler	Juana M. Lugo Luis E. Ayala Marcela Andrade Vicente Andrade	Brenda Lystila David Lystila Christopher Ryan <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Kathryn Griffiths Sharon Jackson Sandy Kuntz Mary Westover	Pedro Gonzalez Rosa Gonzalez	Patricia Martínez Eva Muñiz Aydee Palma	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
SACRISTAN	Karen Miller	Patricia Martínez	Kathy Bessette	Deb Groth	Rosa Gonzalez	Rogelio Canchola	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
COMMUNION MINISTERS			Kathy Bessette <i>Julie Yarno</i>	Diane Devine <i>Thomas Martin</i>		Silvia Esparza Fidel Villagrán <i>Kimberly Candelario</i>	
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ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Miguel Sanchez Michelle Tetlalmatzi	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Julian Cortez Bretton Quick Pedro Vazquez	Damian Ramirez Isabelle Ramirez Aaron Ramirez	Jade Carrera Diaz Alexander Gaytán Alex Hernández Fernanda Medina	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
Feb. 10 - 15	Teresa Mahoney	Mickey Kreissler
Martes 11	Rosario Lira	Daniel Varela
Linens/Lienzos: Week of 9: Sanjuana Valadez; weeks of Feb. 16 & 23: Sharon Jackson		



The St. John Paul II Pro Life Committee will now be meeting on the second Monday of every month in Room 4 (upstairs) at 5:00PM starting Monday, February 10th after Adoration. Everyone is welcome to join us!

CORNELIA BENSON EDUCATIONAL FUND SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are now available!

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 2025-2026 school year. St. John Paul II parents with students in kindergarten through 12th grade may apply. PRESCHOOL STUDENTS ARE NOT ELEGIBLE.

BECAS DEL FONDO EDUCATIVO CORNELIA BENSON

¡Ya están disponibles las aplicaciones!

Ya están disponibles las solicitudes para la Beca Cornelia Benson (anteriormente conocida como Beca Santa Teresa) para el año escolar 2025-2026 en las escuelas católicas Bishop McNamara y en la oficina parroquial. Los padres de San Juan Pablo II con estudiantes en Kindergarten – 12^o grado pueden aplicar. LOS ESTUDIANTES DE PREESCOLAR NO SON ELEGIBLES.



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

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS



On February 16-18, our Holy Father will be remembering in prayer and celebrating with artists. Look around the outside and inside of your parish church. Look around your neighborhood or the nearby towns. Look in your own house. Look at the skyline of any city. Just look as you drive to and from work and everywhere you can see the handprint of an artist. These women and men give to us a beauty that speaks of God in all His glory. We thank them for sharing their gifts and talents in a way that opens our eyes to the God-Given beauty around us.

Escuela para Padres



¡¡Ven!! Y descubre las Claves para una Crianza Saludable y Feliz.

Todos los miércoles de 6:00 a 7:30

Aprenderás:

- La Importancia de la Comunicación:** Escucha Empática, Expresión de Sentimientos, Diálogo Abierto
- Establecimiento de Límites y Reglas:** Consistencia, Flexibilidad, Disciplina Positiva
- Fomentar la Autoestima:** Elogio Esfuerzos, Apoyo Emocional, Modelar Autoestima
- Tiempo de Calidad en Familia:** Actividades en Conjunto, Rutinas Familiares, Desconexión Digital
- Educación en Valores:** Respeto, Responsabilidad, Empatía, Generosidad.
- Salud Mental y Bienestar:** Atención a las Emociones, Relajación y Autocuidado, Apoyo Profesional, Apoyo Espiritual.

Recuerda: ¡Cada niño es único y cada familia es diferente! Lo importante es adaptar estas estrategias a las necesidades particulares de tu familia.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



341 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee
815-933-7683 Ext. 417

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 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



Week of February 10 – 14

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

Hours are posted on the front door.

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

Los horarios están en la Puerta.

OUR SHEPHERD'S CLOTHING CLOSET

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

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



Help Socially Isolated Seniors!

Catholic Charities' Senior
Companion Program (SCP) is

looking for people 55 years and older who are interested in visiting with another homebound senior living in Kankakee or Iroquois County. This is strictly a friendly visit; no homecare duties are involved. Volunteers who meet income eligibility guidelines will receive a tax-free hourly stipend and a mileage reimbursement for time spent with clients.

Senior Companion volunteers provide assistance and friendship to older adults with difficulty with daily living tasks. This program helps seniors stay independent longer and provides respite to family caregivers. Senior Companion volunteers report better health and longevity, having served the community. Are you ready to forge new relationships and make a significant difference in the lives of others?

In Kankakee and Iroquois Counties, call Bry Williams at 815-933-7791 ext. 9928 or mail americorpsseniors@cc-doj.org. For more information about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.



Counseling Services Available

Catholic Charities provides outpatient counseling in DuPage, Will, Grundy, Kendall, Kankakee, Ford, and Iroquois counties. We offer individual, group, family, and couples therapy, including specialized services like anger management and preventative education programs.

Our services are available to those in financial need, and we accept most major insurance. If you or a loved one are struggling with anxiety, depression, substance use, or relationship issues, we are here to help.

Call 815-723-0331 for more information, to verify insurance coverage, or to schedule an appointment. We're now accepting new clients! For more information about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities,

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

St. JOHN PAUL II
CATHOLIC PARISH

Rosary Group

— TUESDAYS —
at 10:00 a.m. in Church



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Please contact Cathy Langlois with any question at
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Carmelites

Seeking a Deeper Spiritual Life?

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JP2 Conference Room

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

Words of Wisdom Book Club

Friday, March 14

At 6:30 pm

(Holy Family Hall)

March's Book Selection -

"Complaints of the Saints"

By: Sr. Mary Lea Hill, FSP

Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859



- GIFT -
Thursday,
February 13
6:30 pm

(Holy Family Hall)

Bishop Robert Barron's

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- Session 1: "I Believe"



JP2 Conference Room

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Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

Rosary Making

Fabricación de Rosarios

Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, February 10

Lunes, 10 de Febrero

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 15

Sábado, 15 de Febrero

8:30 - 10:00 am



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 Exodus 90 starting January 20, 2025 (Ends on
- x Future Meeting Dates: January: 4, 18, February 1, 15, March 1, 15, 29

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Saturday February 15, 2025

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- **BYOB and snacks for your team**
- **Split the pot**
- **Minute to win it games**

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Trivia 7:00 PM

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Praying with Your Phone

Presenters:

**Gisela Delgado &
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6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

WHERE:
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Speaker: Nena Lavoie, Mother of Seminarian Joshua White



Marielena (Nena) Lavoie is a parishioner at Notre Dame in Clarendon Hills. She is married to Christopher Lavoie and they have 8 children and 5 grandchildren. Their son Joshua White is in his 7th year of seminary at St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. He will be ordained a transitional deacon in April and God willing, he will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Joliet in June of 2026!

Nena is very involved with her parish, serving as a catechist teaching 2nd grade, she lectures, and occasionally serves as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. She also participates in Seven Sisters, the Unbound Ministry and is part of the prayer team for the Be Healed retreats. In addition, she and her husband lead a scriptural rosary group at the parish.

She received training through Franciscan University, Steubenville to be a Spiritual Director. She directs women in the Samuel Group, a discernment ministry in the Archdiocese and the Joliet diocese.

February 10, 2025

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

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

8:00 pm - Guest Speaker Presentation and Q&A



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The 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!
As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.



This year's CMAA theme is Open your heart to God's goodness. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own. As a diocese working together, we can do so much more.

Our parish goal for the 2025 CMAA is \$GOAL, and 70% of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

¡La Campaña Anual de Ministerios Católicos 2025 ha comenzado!

A medida que la Diócesis de Joliet lanza la Campaña Anual de los Ministerios Católicos 2025 (CAMC), pedimos humildemente a todos los feligreses que se comprometan a apoyar este importante esfuerzo, ya que juntos podemos hacer una profunda diferencia.

El tema de la CAMC de este año es Abre tu corazón a la bondad de Dios. A través de nuestro apoyo, nos aseguramos de que la misión y los ministerios de la Iglesia de Cristo estén disponibles para todos. Juntos, podemos ayudar a proporcionar refugio seguro para las personas sin hogar, alimentar las necesidades físicas y sociales de quienes tienen hambre, inspirar a quienes discernen una vida de vocación y ayudar en la educación de nuestra próxima generación de católicos. Nuestra parroquia no puede lograr todo esto por sí sola. Como diócesis que trabajamos juntos, podemos hacer mucho más.

Nuestra meta parroquial para el CAMC 2025 es \$GOAL, y el 70% de cualquier cantidad que recaudemos por encima de nuestra meta nos será devuelta y utilizada fructífera-mente dentro de nuestra propia parroquia. Revisen los materiales que reciben por correo de la Diócesis de Joliet este mes y reflexionen en oración sobre su donación a la Campaña Anual de este año.

Si no reciben un correo de la CAMC, comuníquense con la oficina parroquial. ¡Gracias!

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