

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

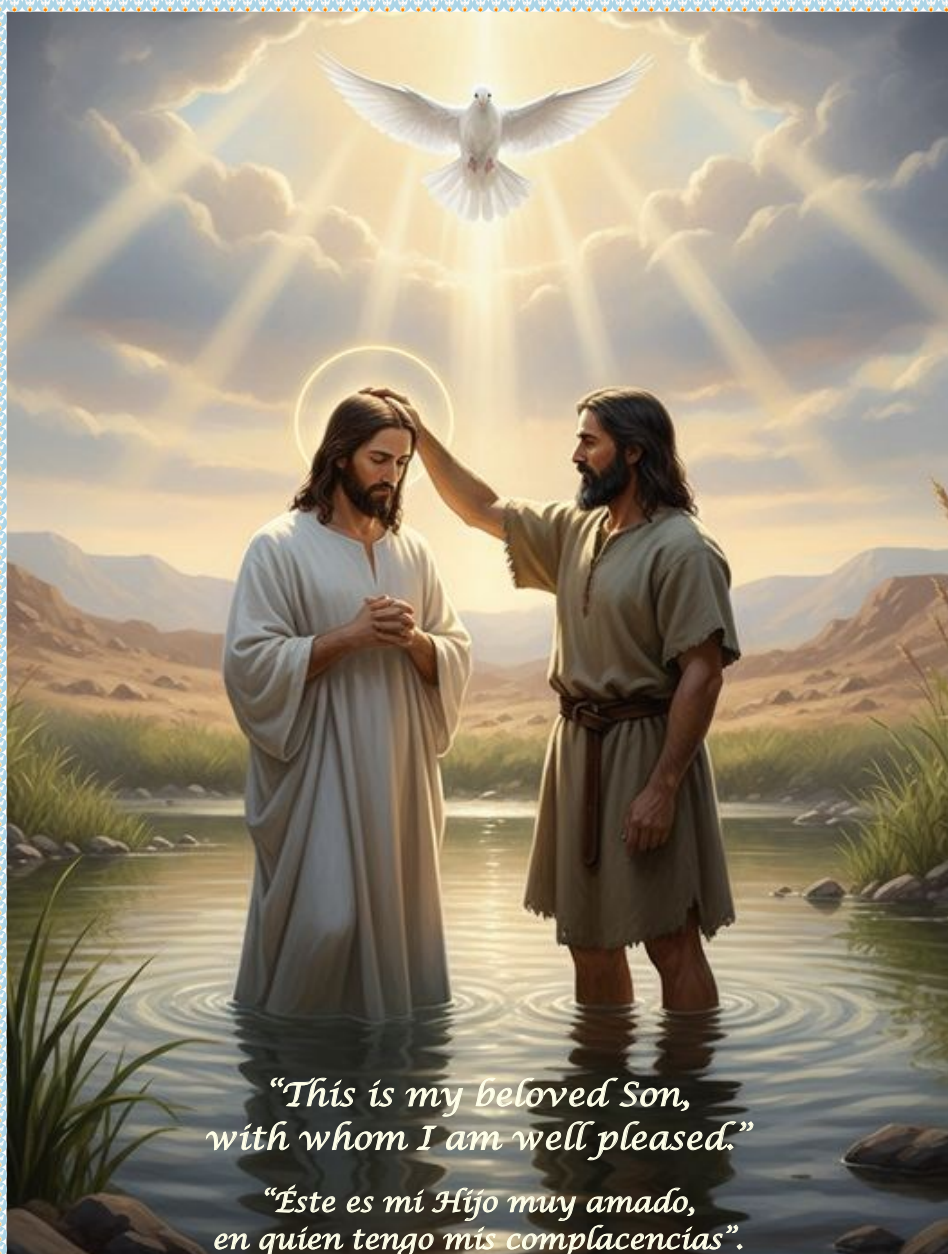
Español: Martes 6:00 pm
Primer Viernes 7:00 pm

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

The Baptism of the Lord - January 11, 2026
Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor - 11 de Enero, 2026



*"This is my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased."*

*"Éste es mi Hijo muy amado,
en quien tengo mis complacencias".*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Baptism began Christ's mission to unite us all to God, and baptism opens for us the door of faith and begins our life with God, pouring forth the Holy Spirit upon us, washing our souls clean from the stain of original sin, uniting us to Christ and making us children of God. What a beautiful gift we receive through Baptism: new life in Christ, eternal life. I am grateful to my parents for bringing me to the church when I was three weeks old to receive such a sacred gift. It is important to rediscover, acknowledge, and live according to the profound gift of baptism. We renew our baptism every time we recite the Creed and make the sign of the cross with holy water. The union with God that we receive through baptism is strengthened by Holy Communion and repaired in confession. I hope this following reflection by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI on baptism and the objects used in baptism helps you to look into the depth and beauty of your own baptism:

"Then, there are the elements: water, the anointing with oil, the white garment and the flame of the candle. Water is the symbol of life: Baptism is new life in Christ. The oil is the symbol of strength, health and beauty, for it truly is beautiful to live in communion with Christ. Then, there is the white garment, as an expression of the culture of beauty, of the culture of life. And lastly, the flame of the candle is an expression of the truth that shines out in the darkness of history and points out to us who we are, where we come from and where we must go. Dear Godparents, dear parents, dear brothers and sisters, let us thank the Lord today, for God does not hide behind clouds of impenetrable mystery but, as today's Gospel said, has opened the heavens, he has shown himself, he talks to us and is with us; he lives with us and guides us in our lives." (January 8, 2006) May we continue to deepen our friendship with Christ, which began in baptism, and may the Lord continue to bless you and your loved ones.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Este domingo celebramos la fiesta del Bautismo del Señor. El bautismo comenzó la misión de Cristo de unirnos a Dios, nos abre la puerta de la fe y comienza nuestra vida con Dios, derramando el Espíritu Santo sobre nosotros, limpiando nuestras almas de la mancha del pecado original, uniéndonos a Cristo y haciéndonos hijos de Dios. Qué hermoso regalo recibimos a través del bautismo: vida nueva en Cristo, ¡vida eterna! Agradezco a mis padres por llevarme a la iglesia cuando tenía tres semanas para recibir tan sagrado regalo. Es importante redescubrir, reconocer y vivir de acuerdo a la profundidad del regalo del bautismo. Renovamos nuestro bautismo cada vez que recitamos el Credo y hacemos la señal de la cruz con agua bendita. La unión con Dios que recibimos a través del bautismo es fortalecida con la Sagrada Comunión y es restaurada en la confesión. Espero que la siguiente reflexión del Papa Emérito Benedicto XVI sobre el bautismo y los objetos utilizados en el bautismo les ayude a conocer la profundidad y la belleza de su propio bautismo:

"Luego, están los elementos: el agua, la unción con el óleo, el vestido blanco y la llama de la vela. El agua es símbolo de la vida: el bautismo es vida nueva en Cristo. El óleo es símbolo de la fuerza, de la salud, de la belleza, porque realmente es bello vivir en comunión con Cristo. El vestido blanco es expresión de la cultura de la belleza, de la cultura de la vida. Y, por último, la llama de la vela es expresión de la verdad que resplandece en las oscuridades de la historia y nos indica quiénes somos, de dónde venimos y a dónde debemos ir. Queridos padrinos y madrinan, queridos padres, queridos hermanos, demos gracias hoy al Señor porque Dios no se esconde detrás de las nubes del misterio impenetrable, sino que, como decía el evangelio de hoy, ha abierto los cielos, se nos ha mostrado, habla con nosotros y está con nosotros; vive con nosotros y nos guía en nuestra vida." (8 enero 2006).

Que sigamos profundizando nuestra amistad con Cristo, que comenzó en el bautismo, y que el Señor continúe bendiciéndolos a ustedes y a sus seres queridos.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



**The candle in the sanctuary
is burning in memory of
JUANITA REICHERT-MERRILL**

By: Family



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

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

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

BICKFORD: Barbara Ciacchio

BOURBONNAIS GROVE: Lavonne Linneman

BUTTERFIELD COURT: Pat Canfield

HERITAGE WOODS, Kankakee: Myrna Sandeno

HERITAGE WOODS, Manteno:

HOMEBOUND: Rose Kaminsky, Jean Rykiel

LABELLA, Clifton: Kathleen Hardwick

LUTHER PLACE: Leola Mulvihill

PRESENCE HERITAGE LODGE:

RIVERSIDE SENIOR CARE: David Africano

THE ARC, Dwight: Sylvia Lane

WESTWOOD OAKS: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

~ Jackie LaRoche	~ Kevin Schaumburg
~ 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 Wulfte	~ Maria Nunez
~ Darby Thomas	~ Naomi
~ Darlene Fortin	~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
~ Debbie Turner	~ Nicole & David
~ Desiree Grant	~ Pat Crane
~ Elia López	~ Paul Gerth
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Gene Rademacher	~ Ramiro Castillo
~ Gloria Mendez	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Iliana Andrade	~ Sharon Burton
~ Jerome Holohan	~ Sylvia Lane
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	~ Tom Sauch
~ Judith Lozano	~ Tony Rosas
~ Julia Moreno	~ Virginia Estrada
~ Kathy Call	~ Virginia Pronger
~ Kathy Dechenne	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Kelli Burson	~ Yael Martínez

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of January 10 - 18

Saturday, January 10

8:00 am † Lola Gierke (*Joseph & Theresa Giacchino*)

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

6:00 pm † María Gloria Rosales-Garcia (*Her Friends*)

Sunday, January 11

8:00 am † Adrien Raymond (*Arnold Guimond*)

9:30 am † Georgette Regnier (*Family*)

† Oleene Bieber (*Christopher Wilcox*)

† Baby Owen Burkhardt (*Ron & Pat Dressler*)

Family Charlotte & Candy (*Charlotte Nolte*)

11:30 am † Bruce Grant (*Desiree Grant*)

1:00 pm † Nicolás Pérez (*María Pérez*)

Josué Guadalupe Canales & Edgar Canales
(*Lucy Canales*)

Mariana Cabrales (*Patricia Martínez*)

3:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

5:00 pm † Lola Gierke (*Americo Vespucci Lodge #1722*)

Monday, January 12

7:30 am † Jack Klasey (*Julie Busken*)

Tuesday, January 13

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

6:00 pm POR TODA LA GENTE ENFERMA DE LA
PARROQUIA

Wednesday, January 14

7:30 am † Anna Marie Wheeler (*CND Associates*)

12:00 pm † Phillip Czernik (*Paula, Rebecca & Jon Czernik*)

Thursday, January 15

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

Friday, January 16

7:30 am † Lola Gierke (*Americo Vespucci Lodge #1722*)

12:00 pm Christina Karpel (*Johnson Family*)

Saturday, January 17

8:00 am † Adrien Raymond (*Mike Benoit*)

4:30 pm † Robert Pfeiffer (*Pfeiffer Family*)

6:00 pm POR TODA LA GENTE ENFERMA DE LA
PARROQUIA

Sunday, January 18

8:00 am † Carey Ortman (*Marianne Lawless*)

9:30 am † Birdie Blanchette (*Loved Ones*)

† Jack Klasey (*Julie Busken*)

† Bernard & Katherine Petrucci (*Joe Petrucci*)

For the Intentions of Fr. Matthew Pratscher
(*Char & Candy*)

11:30 am † David Suddick (*Sharen Suddick*)

1:00 pm † Alfonso Contreras Abetea (*Lilia Villanueva*)

3:00 pm † Julia Bajt (*Karen Bajt*)

5:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

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

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

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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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



Facebook & YouTube:

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

January 3 & 4: \$11,263.02

Envelopes/On-Line: 191

- 157 Envelopes/34 -On Line Donors (\$2,035) -
(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

With gratitude to all the people who donated toys and helped make the Three Kings celebration possible, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge:

St. James Parishioners and Volunteers

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida
Con agradecimiento a todas las personas quienes donaron juguetes y a quienes ayudaron para llevar a cabo la celebración de los Reyes Magos, reconocemos y agradecemos a:

Feligreses de St. James y Voluntarios



ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT/ADORACIÓN

Every Monday/Cada Lunes

12:00 - 5:00 pm

First Friday/Primer Viernes

8:00 am- 6:00 pm

Nocturnal Adoration/Adoración Nocturna

First Saturday / Primer Sábado

8:00 pm-2:00 am

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Sunday, January 11

R1 - Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

R2 - Acts 10:34-38

G - Matthew 3:13-17

Monday, January 12

R1 - 1 Samuel 1:1-8

G - Mark 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 13

R1 - 1 Samuel 1:9-20

G - Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 14

R1 - 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20

G - Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, January 15

R1 - 1 Samuel 4:1-11

G - Mark 1:40-45

Friday, January 16

R1 - 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a

G - Mark 2:1-12

Saturday, January 17

Memorial of Saint Anthony,
Abbot

R1 - 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1

G - Mark 2:13-17

**Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

Sunday, January 18

R1 - Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

R2 - 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

G - John 1:29-34



THIS WEEK AT JPPII

January 12 - 18

Monday, January 12

12:00-5:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

2:00 pm Lord Teach Me to Pray - Angel Room

5:00 pm Pro-Life Meeting - JPPII Room 4 (Upstairs)

5:30 pm Rosary Making Group - Conference Room

7:00 pm Reunión del Grupo Carismático

Tuesday, January 13

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

7:00 pm Bible Study - Conference Room

7:30 pm OCIA - Office & Conference Room

Wednesday, January 14

6:00 pm Faith Formation Program / Doctrina

Thursday, January 15

5:00 pm Confessions / Confesiones

6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, January 16

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Lisieux - Clothing Closet

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, January 17

6:30 am Men of St. Joseph - Conference Room

10:00 am Encuentros Juveniles - Holy Family Hall

11:00 am Baptisms - English (if requested)

12:00 pm Young on Fire - Livestream Rosary

3:30 pm Confessions/Confesiones

Sunday, January 18

9:00 am Estudio Bíblico (Hombres)

11:30 am FFP Mass for 1st & 2nd Grades

6:30 pm Vespers

FUTURE EVENTS

Jan. 19 Parish Council Meeting

Jan. 20 Fatima Rosary Group

Bible Study

Jan. 21 Baptism Class - English

Jan. 24 Bautismos (Si se requieren)

Young on Fire Rosary

Jan. 25 The Blue Knights Club

Jan. 26 CCW Deanery Meeting

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).



THANK YOU TO THE
PARISHIONERS OF ST. JAMES
PARISH IN GLEN ELLYN FOR
BRINGING TOYS FOR
THREE KINGS DAY.



THREE KINGS DAY CELEBRATION 2026



JPII CCW "JOY IN JANUARY"



Archbishop-designate Hicks will celebrate a farewell Mass of thanksgiving with the clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Diocese of Joliet at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet on Sunday, January 11, 2026, at 2:00 pm, followed by a warm reception in the Cathedral Commons. All are invited to join our bishop in prayer as he prepares to become the archbishop of New York on February 6, 2026.

El Arzobispo-designado Hicks celebrará una misa de despedida y de acción de gracias con el clero, religiosos y fieles laicos de la Diócesis de Joliet en la Catedral de San Ramón en Joliet el domingo 11 de enero, 2026 a las 2:00 p.m., seguida de un convivio en los Comunes de la Catedral. Todos están invitados a unirse a nuestro obispo en oración mientras se prepara para convertirse en arzobispo de Nueva York el 6 de febrero, 2026.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, January 17 Sábado, 17 de Enero		Sunday, January 18 Domingo, 18 de Enero				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTORS	Sheryl Janik (sub req.)	Víctor Bolívar Norma Sánchez	Thomas Lamie	Virginia Marsick	Annie Syrstad	Elizabeth Suárez Ricardo Valtierra	Rose Bailey
USHERS	Ronald Dressler Karen Miller	Virginia Ayala Juana Moreno María Guerrero Eloísa Ayala	Kathy Bessette Brenda Lystila David Lystila <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Deb Groth Steve Kelley Charlotte Nolte Mary Westover	Beth Arocha Rick Ramirez Diana Sanchez Gabriela Sanchez	Patricia Martínez Eva Muñiz Aydee Palma	<i>Need Volunteers</i>
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	José Rubio & Julisa	Kathy Bessette	Deb Groth	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	Rogelio Canchola	
COMMUNION MINISTERS			Daniel Trevino <i>Julie Yarno</i>	Diane Devine <i>Fran Powers</i>		Kimberly Candelario Silvia Esparza <i>Rogelio Canchola</i>	
GREETER				Cynthia Martin			
ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Dionisio Franquiz Natalia Franquiz Angel Franquiz	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Julian Cortez Jayden Grabow Pedro Vazquez	Benjamin Bilderback Athziri Pina Xavy Reyes	Aaron Ferreira Alexander Gaytán Alex Hernández	<i>Need Volunteer</i>

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

WEEKDAY MINISTERS /MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA		
DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Jan. 12 - 17	Sharon Jackson	Mickey Kreissler
Martes 13	Rosa Chávez	Daniel Varela & Reyes Cintora
Linens/Lienzos: Week of Jan. 11: Diane Devine; weeks of 18 & 25: Paggy Shule		



DONUT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, January 18
after 9:30 a.m. Mass

YOUNG ON FIRE

ANNUAL HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECT

Please Donate
Hats, Mittens, Gloves & Scarves

Please donate items
January 3rd - 18th.

YOF will wrap and distribute them at
Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet on January 23rd.

Collection containers baskets will be located at the entrance of church, on the hall counter and in our parish office.

PROYECTO ANUAL DE SERVICIO

Gorras, Guantes, Bufandas & Calcetines

Done los artículos del 3 - 18 de enero

YOF los envolverá y distribuiremos
en Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet el 23 de enero.

Las cestas para la colecta estarán situadas en la entrada de la iglesia, en el mostrador del vestíbulo y en la oficina parroquial.



Thank you so much!

¡Muchas gracias!



BIBLE STUDY

UNVEILING THE TRUTH

Every Tuesday

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

We encourage you to participate in this enriching experience that promises spiritual growth, community building, and a deeper understanding of our faith.



Fr. Roy Jacob CMI
OLD TESTAMENT

Deacon George Arocha
NEW TESTAMENT

- Let us come together to explore the beauty and relevance of the Bible in our lives -
Please spread the word and extend this invitation to friends, family, and neighbors.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Open Bible Study and sharing this journey of faith and discovery!

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



Jan. 13 - 14 at 9:00 am

Jan. 16 at 1:30 pm

- Please call for an appointment -

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

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

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



HOSTED BY DEAF MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET

WINTER 2025

GUEST SPEAKER:
MONSIGNOR GLEN NELSON

GUEST SPEAKER:
KATIE LOCUS

SPECIAL GUEST:
RAYMOND GAY

TWO-DAY "2026 DEAF RETREAT"
FEBRUARY 21-22, 2026

LOCATION:
CARMELITE SPIRITUAL CENTER
8419 BAILEY ROAD
DARIEN, IL 60561

SATURDAY: 8AM to 10:30 PM

8:00 AM: Arrival / Registration

8:30 AM: Breakfast

9:30: Opening Prayer / Presentation by

Monsignor Nelson

12:30 PM: Lunch

1:30 PM: Presentation by Monsignor Nelson

3PM: Confession

4:30 PM: Mass

5:30 PM: Dinner

7 PM: Presentation by Raymond Gay

7:30 PM: Kahoot! Game/ Trivia

8:00 PM: "Jesus" Movie

10:30 PM: Closing

SUNDAY: 8AM to Noon

8:30 AM: Breakfast/

Room Sign Out (Key turn in the Front Desk)

9:30 AM: Presentation by Katie Locus

Noon: Closing/Departure

CONSENT WAIVER:

Please fill out the Adult Liability Waiver & Medical Form on the next page and submit it with the registration form.

PAYMENT / REFUND:

- Checks - Make checks payable to [Deaf Ministry - DJ] for the full amount
- All mailed registrations/checks for Early Bird Registration must be postmarked by Thursday, Jan. 23, 2026.
- All mailed registrations / checks for regular registration must be postmarked by Thursday, Feb. 6, 2026
- Cancellation Fee: \$20.00

REGISTER:

Please print and fill out the forms. Mail the completed forms and don't forget to include your check for the full amount to:

The Deaf Ministry of the Diocese of Joliet
c/o Martha Torres
16555 Weber Rd.
Crest Hill, IL 60403

NOTE:

No registrations will be accepted at the door the day of the event.



Scan QR code to Register
<https://ip.constantcontactpages.com/vieweg/57utepb>

Catch the Early Bird Special!

Register by Jan. 23 for
\$125 - Single Occupancy
\$190 - Double Occupancy
\$100 - Commuter

Note: ASL only (no voice interpreter)

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FREEWILL

Your will reflects your values—caring for your loved ones, stewarding your blessings, and strengthening the Church for generations to come. Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet to put your faith into action.

¡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.



MAKE.diojoliet.org

MAKE
A Pastoral Letter for the People
of the Diocese of Joliet

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.



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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
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Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

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 Thursday, January 29, 2026
 Thursday, February 12, 2026
 Thursday, February 19, 2026
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WHERE:

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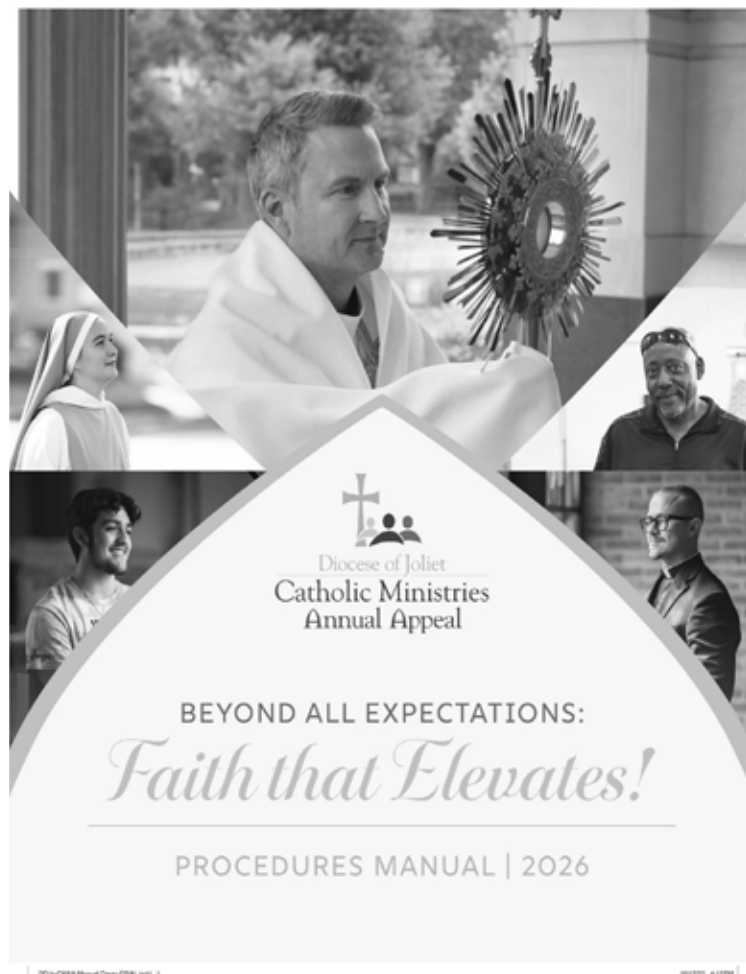
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Tuesday & Wednesday, January 27 & 28: 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

MISA DE LAS CLASES

Domingo, 18 de enero: 11:30 a.m. - Grados 1 & 2

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