

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 & 5:00pm

Español

1:00 pm

Latin

3:00 pm

Vespers

6:30pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

English

Monday - Friday 7:30 am

Saturday 8:00am

Español

Martes 6:00 pm

Primer Viernes 7:00 pm

Latin

Wednesday & Friday 12:00 pm

First Saturday 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

Tuesday & Thursday 5:00-5:45 pm

Conference Room

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 18, 2026
XXIX Domingo Ordinario, 18 de octubre de 2026



*"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."*

*"Den, pues, al César lo que es del César, y a Dios lo
que es de Dios".*

St. John Paul II Parish Contacts
815-933-7683

Office Hours | Horario de Oficina

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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.

Social Media Links



Website



Facebook



YouTube

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!

Baptism - Classes are the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the church. Please call to register for class. Baptisms are the 3rd Saturday of the month, or after mass.

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.

Weddings: Marriage Preparation begins at least 6 months in advance. Please schedule a meeting with Fr. Matt for details before finalizing other wedding plans.

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.

Anointing of the Sick & Communion

Please call the office 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.

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.

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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Thursday, we will celebrate the feast day of Saint John Paul II, the patron saint of our parish. As a child and then as a seminarian, I was greatly inspired by Pope John Paul II. He was a priest for the whole world. I remember seeing him when I studied in Rome in 2002 and at the World Youth Days. Even in his advanced years, there was something about him. He generously lived for the Lord and the Church. In 1979, my grandfather framed a picture of Pope John Paul II from his visit to Chicago that year and then hung that picture in their home. That picture hangs in my office today. I would like to share with you a part of Pope Benedict XVI's homily at the funeral Mass for Pope John Paul II to give you a glimpse of Karol Wojtyła, the priest from Poland who became Pope John Paul II:



Follow me – as a young student Karol Wojtyła was thrilled by literature, the theatre, and poetry. Working in a chemical plant, surrounded and threatened by the Nazi terror, he heard the voice of the Lord: Follow me! In this extraordinary setting he began to read books of philosophy and theology, and then entered the clandestine seminary established by Cardinal Sapieha. After the war he was able to complete his studies in the faculty of theology of the Jagiellonian University of Kraków. How often, in his letters to priests and in his autobiographical books has he spoken to us about his priesthood, to which he was ordained on 1 November 1946. In these texts he interprets his priesthood with particular reference to three sayings of the Lord. First: "You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last" (Jn 15:16). The second saying is: "The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep" (Jn 10:11). And then: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love" (Jn 15:9). In these three sayings we see the heart and soul of our Holy Father. He really went everywhere, untiringly, in order to bear fruit, fruit that lasts. "Rise, Let us be on our Way!" is the title of his next-to-last book. "Rise, let us be on our way!" – with these words he roused us from a lethargic faith, from the sleep of the disciples of both yesterday and today. "Rise, let us be on our way!" he continues to say to us even today. The Holy Father was a priest to the last, for he offered his life to God for his flock and for the entire human family, in a daily self-oblation for the service of the Church, especially amid the sufferings of his final months. And in this way he became one with Christ, the Good Shepherd who loves his sheep. Finally, "abide in my love:" the Pope who tried to meet everyone, who had an ability to forgive and to open his heart to all, tells us once again today, with these words of the Lord, that by abiding in the love of Christ we learn, at the school of Christ, the art of true love. (Cardinal Ratzinger, 8 April 2005)

Let us stay close to Christ, remain faithful to Him, and live generously for our Lord, His Church, and one another. Pope St. John Paul II, pray for us!

In Christ,
Fr. Matt

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Este jueves será el día de fiesta de San Juan Pablo II, patrón de nuestra parroquia. Cuando yo era niño y luego como seminarista, el Papa Juan Pablo II me inspiraba mucho. Él era sacerdote para todo el mundo. Recuerdo haberlo visto cuando estudié en Roma en 2002 y en las Jornadas Mundiales de la Juventud. Incluso en sus años avanzados, había algo especial en él. Vivía generosamente para el Señor y la Iglesia. En 1979, mi abuelo encuadró una foto del Papa Juan Pablo II de su visita a Chicago ese año y luego la colgó en su casa. Esa foto está colgada en mi oficina hoy. Me gustaría compartir con ustedes una parte de la homilía del Papa Benedicto XVI en la misa funeral del Papa Juan Pablo II para darles una idea de Karol Wojtyła, el sacerdote de Polonia que se convirtió en el Papa Juan Pablo II:

"Sígueme." Cuando era un joven estudiante, Karol Wojtyła era un entusiasta de la literatura, del teatro, de la poesía. Trabajando en una fábrica química, circundado y amenazado por el terror nazi, escuchó la voz del Señor: ¡Sígueme! En este contexto tan particular comenzó a leer libros de filosofía y de teología, entró después en el seminario clandestino creado por el cardenal Sapieha y después de la guerra pudo completar sus estudios en la facultad teológica de la Universidad Jagellónica de Cracovia. Tantas veces en sus cartas a los sacerdotes y en sus libros autobiográficos nos habló de su sacerdocio, al que fue ordenado el 1 de noviembre de 1946. En esos textos interpreta su sacerdocio, en particular a partir de tres palabras del Señor. En primer lugar esta: "No me habéis elegido vosotros a mí, sino que yo os he elegido a vosotros y os he destinado para que vayáis y deis fruto, y vuestro permanezca". La segunda palabra es: "El buen pastor da la vida por sus ovejas". Y finalmente: "Como el Padre me amó, así os he amado yo. Permaneced en mi amor". En estas palabras vemos el alma entera de nuestro Santo Padre. Realmente ha ido a todos los lugares, incansablemente, para llevar fruto, un fruto que permanece. "Levantaos, vamos", es el título de su penúltimo libro. "Levantaos, vamos". Con esas palabras nos ha despertado de una fe cansada, del sueño de los discípulos de ayer y hoy. "Levantaos, vamos", nos dice hoy también a nosotros. El Santo Padre fue además sacerdote hasta el final porque ofreció su vida a Dios por sus ovejas y por la entera familia humana, en una entrega cotidiana al servicio de la Iglesia y sobre todo en las duras pruebas de los últimos meses. Así se ha convertido en una sola cosa con Cristo, el buen pastor que ama sus ovejas. Y, en fin, "permaneced en mi amor": el Papa, que buscó el encuentro con todos, que tuvo una capacidad de perdón y de apertura de corazón para todos, nos dice hoy también con estas palabras del Señor: "Habitando en el amor de Cristo, aprendemos, en la escuela de Cristo, el arte del amor verdadero". (Cardenal Ratzinger, 8 de abril de 2005)

Permanezcamos cerca de Cristo y fieles a él, viviendo generosamente para nuestro Señor, su Iglesia y nuestros prójimos. Papa San Juan Pablo II, ruega por nosotros.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 18

R1 - 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

R2 - Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

G - Matthew 22:15-21

Monday, October 19

R1 - Ephesians 2:1-10

G - Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday, October 20

R1 - Ephesians 2:12-22

G - Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday, October 21

R1 - Ephesians 3:2-12

G - Luke 12:39-48

Thursday, October 22

R1 - Ephesians 3:14-21

G - Luke 12:49-53

Friday, October 23

R1 - Ephesians 4:1-6

G - Luke 12:54-59

Saturday, October 24

R1 - Ephesians 4:7-16

G - Luke 13:1-9

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 25

R1 - Exodus 22:20-26

R2 - 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

G - Matthew 22:34-40



St. John Paul II Parish Welcomes You!

Ames Robert Denny Anderson

Baptized on October 11, 2026



Adoración Nocturna

Sábado, 7 de noviembre, 2026

8:00pm - 2:00am (o más tarde)

En la Iglesia y en el Salón de la Sagrada Familia

Night Adoration

Saturday, November 7, 2026

8:00 PM – 2:00 AM (or later)

In the Church and the Holy Family Hall.

SCHEDULED ADORERS NEEDED

for Adoration on Mondays and 1st

Please contact Christopher in the office.

SE NECESITAN ADORADORES PROGRAMADOS

Para la Adoración de los Lunes y cada 1er

Por favor, llame a la oficina para anotarse.

OFFERING • OFRENDA

October 10 & 11: \$10,689.35

Envelopes: 158 | Online Donors: 28

Envelopes & Online: 186

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN PAUL II

Monday, October 19

12:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5:30 pm Rosary Making Group - Conference Rm.

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

7:00 pm Reunión del Grupo Carismático

Tuesday, October 20

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux

10:00 am Fatima Rosary Group

11:00 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Confessions • Confesiones

6:00 pm Faith Formation • Doctrina

7:00 pm Bible Study - Conference Room

7:30 pm OCIA - Parish Office Conference Room

7:30 pm Formación de Ujiers - Classroom 8

7:30 pm OCIA Español - Classroom

Wednesday, October 21

12:00 pm Latin Mass

6:00 pm Faith Formation • Doctrina

6:00 pm Baptism Class - English

Thursday, October 22

5:00 pm Confessions • Confesiones

6:00 pm Encuentros Juveniles - Hall & Classrooms

6:30 pm GIFT - Conference Room

6:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Church

Friday, October 23

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Clothing Closet - East Campus

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry - Settles Center

12:00 pm Latin Mass

Saturday, October 24

6:00 am Men of St. Joseph

8:30 am Rosary Making Group - Conference Room

9:00 am Ground Zero Tour - Holy Family Hall

11:00 am Baptism - Español

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary

3:30 pm Confessions • Confesiones

Sunday, October 25

6:30 pm Vespers

Upcoming Events - Próximos Eventos

Nov. 6-8 Christmas Past Sale Drop Off - Settles Center

Nov.13-14 CCW Christmas Past Sale - Settles Center



The Sanctuary Lamp is burning in
memory of

Bill & Mary Clocksin

Requested by Kathy Griffiths

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

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

PRAYING FOR THE SICK ORANDO POR LOS ENFERMOS

Albert Kanosky	Kathy Dechenne
Alice Ramien	Kelli Burson
Antoñio Serna	Kevin Schaumburg
Arturo Barajas	Leticia Muñoz
Bill Richley	Magdalena Salazar
Bob Crane	Margaret Bialas
Charlotte Nolte	Manuel Silva
Cheryl Heldt	Maria de la Luz Patiño
Cindy Frey	Maria Nunez
Craig Robinson	Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
Daniel Wulfte	Pat Crane
Darby Thomas	Raquel Garcia
Darlene Fortin	Ramiro Castillo
Debbie Turner	Richard Frey
Elia López	Ron Talamantes
Eula Mae Goselin	Sharon Burton
Iliana Andrade	Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
Irma Castillo	Tom Sauch
Jerome Holohan	Tony Rosas
José Luis Delgadillo	Virginia Estrada
Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	Virginia Pronger
Judith Lozano	Willis Buchholz
Julia Moreno	Yael Martínez
Kathy Call	

The intention of this list is to pray for the seriously ill.
 Please help us 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, October 17

4:30 pm † Joseph Demers (*Don Demers*)

6:00 pm Para la gente de la Parroquia

Sunday, October 18

8:00 am † Cheryl Hiles (*Fred Hiles*)

9:30 am † Birdie Blanchette (*Candy & Char*)

† Howard Miller (*Ron Hansen*)

Kyler Medina (*Char & Candy*)

11:30 am † Jack Klasey (*Glory Klasey*)

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

† Luis Antonio Martinez (*Elba Rosas*)

Pedro Abeirto Conales Pina (*Lucy Canales*)

Para las Mujeres de Encuentros Juveniles
 (*Charlotte Nolte*)

3:00 pm † Sheryl Zehr (*Karen Bajt*)

5:00 pm † Eileen Dupuis (*Kevin McNulty*)

Monday, October 19

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

Tuesday, October 20

7:30 am † Mike McCullough (*Greg & Julie Azzarelli*)

6:00 pm Por la salud del Papa León

Wednesday, October 21

7:30 am † Jaymie Falkenhan (*Azzarelli Family*)

12:00 pm † Mary Anne Groff (*Margaret Joubert*)

Thursday, October 22

7:30 am For the Health of Pope Leo

Friday, October 23

7:30 am For the Sick of the Parish

12:00 pm Edmund Boudreau (*Bob & Barb Boudreau*)

Saturday, October 24

8:00 am For the People of the Parish

4:30 pm † Don Demers (*Annie Syrstad*)

6:00 pm † Alex Andrade (*Familia Andrade*)

Sunday, October 25

8:00 am † Jean Rykiel (*Cathy Willi*)

9:30 am † Bill & Mary Clocksin (*Kathy Griffiths*)

Myles Medina (*Char Nolte & Candy*)

11:30 am † Victor Peregrine (*Sharon Hoostraat*)

1:00 pm † Luia Antonio Martinez (*Elba Rosas*)

Para los hombres de Encuentros Juveniles
 (*Charlotte Nolte*)

3:00 pm † Sheryl Zehr (*Karen Bajt*)

5:00 pm *For the People of the Parish*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE HORARIO DE MINISTERIOS Ministry Schedule Subject to Change. Please consult MSP for the most accurate schedule.						
Saturday 4:30 pm	Weekend of October 24 & 25 Fin de semana del 24 y 25, Octubre					
	Lector	Usher	Altar Server	Sacristan	Comm. Minister	Greeter
	Cindy McBarnes	Richard McBarnes Karen Miller		Karen Miller		
6:00 pm	Rogelio Benitez Norma Sanchez	Eloisa Ayala Maria Guerrero Juana Romero Virginia Ayala	Axel Rubio Fabian Fubio	Luis Enrique Ayala Leticia Munoz		
Sunday 8:00 am	Thomas Lamie	Brenda Lystila David Lystila Robert Thrasher NOT FILLED		Kathy Bessette	Kathy Bessette <i>Cathy Langlois</i>	
9:30 am	NOT FILLED	Kathy Griffiths Deb Groth Janice Shenk Mary Westover	Julian Cortez Jayden Grabow Pedro Vazquez	Deb Groth	Fran Powers <i>Mickey Kreissler</i>	Joyce Raspolich SUB NEEDED
11:30 am	Cynthia Somerville	Rosa Gonzalez Pedro Gonzalez Rick Ramirez Elida Ramirez	Isabelle Ramirez Aaron Ramirez Damian Ramirez	Pedro Gonzalez		
1:00 pm	Miriam Gaytan Leonardo Lopez	Jose Hernandez Rosalina Tonacatl Sanjuana Valadez Eulalio Valadez	Yazeni Calderon Emily Canchola Cynthia Canchola	Daniel Varela	Kimberly Candelario Silvia Esparza <i>Gabriel Mendez</i>	
3:00 pm			Kilian Brady Isaiah Wales Elijah Wales			
5:00 pm	Julie Koerner	Sharon Jackson	Alexander Tapp			

WEEKDAY MINISTER MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA			
Date	Lector	Sacristan	Altar Server
October 19-24	Jacob Levy	Flor Rojas	
October 14 Latin Mass			Xavier Alcorn
October 16 Latin Mass			Kilian Brady
Martes 20	Erika Duarte	Camila Robledo	
LINENS LIENZOS Week of October 18: Sandy Girard Week of October 25 & November 1: Fran Powers			

ONE IN CHRIST, United in Mission
 THE WORLD OF WORLD MISSIONS EVENT
World Mission Sunday
 October 18th, 2026

Let us be reminded about the mission, remembering that the Lord who calls us must also be the one who sends us. "There is no mission without love." - Mission & Evangelism, Pope John Paul II

Let your prayer and gift inspire.

Join the "MISSIONS" TO SERVE

18 OCT 2026

UNO EN CRISTO, Unidos en la Misión
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18 OCT 2026

St. John Paul II Parish CCW Christmas Past Sale!

Christmas Item Donation Drop Off Days:
 Friday, November 6th: 3:00pm - 5:30pm
 Saturday, November 7th: 9:00am - 2:00pm
 Sunday, November 8th: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Items to donate include Christmas trees, wreaths, ornaments, lights, garland, wrapping paper, tree skirts, nativity scenes, everything Christmas!

Christmas Past Sale Dates and Times:
 Friday, November 13th: 9:00am - 5:00pm
 Saturday, November 14th: 9:00am - 12:00pm

DROP OFF AND SALE LOCATION
 Settles Center 956 S. 10th Ave. Kankakee

FIESTA DE SANTOS
 Sábado Octubre 31 a las 6:00pm
 "DEJEN QUE LOS NIÑOS SE ACEQUEN A MI! NO SE LO TIENDAN, PORQUE EL REINO DE LOS CIELOS ES DE QUIENES SON COMO ELLOS." - MATEO 19:14

ST. JOHN PAUL II KANKAKEE
 Procesión de Niños Vestidos de Santos en la Entrada de Misa a las 6:00

DEPUES HABRA UN CONVIVIO CON DULCES, COMIDA Y UNA PELICULA PARA LOS NIÑOS EN EL HOLY FAMILY HALL

Respect Life Month

October 2026



Mes Respetemos la Vida

octubre de 2026



October is Respect Life Month.
Join Catholics nationwide praying a special novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death

October 22-30.

Get daily intentions,
brief reflections, and more.

Sign up at respectlife.org/celebrate.

You can also find printed copies in the back of the church!



Octubre es el Mes Respetemos la Vida.
Únete a católicos de todo el país para rezar una novena especial para la protección de la vida humana, desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural,

del 22 al 30 de octubre.

Recibe intenciones diarias,
reflexiones breves y más.

¡Inscríbete en respectlife.org/celebrar!

¡También puedes encontrar copias impresas en la parte trasera de la iglesia!



Holy Hour

In commemoration of Respect Life month and the feast of our patron saint St. John Paul II,

there will be a Holy Hour on

Wednesday, October 21st at 6:30 PM

Please join us as we pray
for the protection of all stages of life.



Hora Santa

En conmemoración del mes del respeto a la vida y la fiesta de nuestro santo patrono,

San Juan Pablo II,
habrá una Hora Santa el

Miércoles, 21 de octubre a las 6:30 p. m.

Por favor, acompáñenos a orar
por la protección de todas las etapas
de la vida.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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

Azzarelli Clinic Main - Extension 414

Arrarelli Clinic Director - Brook Futterer, Ext. 416 bfutterer@jp2kankakee.org

Food Pantry - Nancy Godin, Ext. 417

Lisieux Pastoral Center - Kathy Wade, Ext. 418

Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet

& Out Reach Coordinator - Teri O'Connor 815-693-9152 oconnor.teri@gmail.com



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



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



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



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

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**Saturday, October 24
Sábado, 24 de octubre
8:30 - 10:00 am**

Words of Wisdom Book Club

Season 10 - Session 3
Friday, November 13 6:00pm
Holy Family Hall

Book Selection
On Fire
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Fall 2026

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Thursday, October 22nd

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GROUNDZERO TOUR

PREPARING THE CHURCH
FOR PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE IN ILLINOIS

This event will be presented by Illinois Right to Life's Director of Education, Dr. Steven Andrew Jacobs, J.D. Ph.D. Steve will equip churches and communities to understand Illinois' new law and prepare for the challenges it will bring.

Dr. Jacobs will:

- Explain Illinois' new physician-assisted suicide law;
- Examine results in other states and countries after assisted suicide legalization;
- Explore how practices expand over time; and
- Equip Christians to respond with truth, compassion, and practical support for those facing serious illness, disability or suffering, and the fear of becoming a burden.

WHEN: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026
9:00AM - 11:00AM

WHERE: ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH
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Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR OCTOBER

For mental health ministry.

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

INTENCIONES DE ORACIÓN DEL SANTO PADRE OCTUBRE

Por la pastoral de la salud mental.

Recemos para que la pastoral de la salud mental se integre en toda la Iglesia, ayudando a superar el estigma y la discriminación hacia las personas con enfermedades mentales.

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CMAA Pledge Report for St. John Paul II

Monthly pledge payments are due in the next few days. These payments are essential to reaching our parish goal.

Once we reach our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs.

PARISH GOAL: \$53,500.00
AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$49,268.00
AMOUNT PAID: \$42,314.00
REMAINING BALANCE: \$6,954.00
REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

Reporte de donaciones de la CMAA para San Juan Pablo II

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