

St. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

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WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 21, 2024



January 22, 2024

**Special Holy Hour of Adoration at
7:00 pm.**

We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance.

Prayer to Give Thanks to God For the Gift of Human Life

God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone have the power to impact the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life. 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 para dar gracias a Dios por el don de la vida Humana

Dios Creador nuestro, te damos gracias, eres el único que tiene el poder de infundir el aliento de vida al formarnos a cada uno en el seno materno; concédenos, te rogamos, que nosotros, a quienes has hecho administradores de la creación, permanezcamos fieles a esta sagrada confianza y constantes en salvaguardar la dignidad de toda vida humana. 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.



**Jesus said to them,
"Come after me, and I will make
you fishers of men."**

***Jesús les dijo: "Sígueme y haré de
ustedes pescadores de hombres".***

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When I was in seminary, what made discerning the priesthood so complicated was that it was a type of decision that I wasn't used to making. I wasn't deciding between good and bad or right and wrong. It wasn't even about what was the best option for success or about profit or loss. It was about following God's will and listening to His call in my life. Was God calling me to dedicate my life to Him in service of the Church as a priest, or was God calling me to be a living sign of His love through marriage? How does one know? When we read today's Gospel, one wonders how Simon, Andrew, James, and John knew so quickly that leaving their boats and families to follow Christ as Apostles was the right thing to do. After all, they could have followed Christ as disciples in the midst of their daily lives as devout fishermen, but that wasn't what Jesus was asking of them. They knew what to do when they heard the voice of Jesus calling them.

When speaking about following God, we often have a lot of questions. How do we know God's will? How do we know what God asks of us? How do we hear God? In 2005, Pope Benedict XVI spoke to the seminarians at World Youth Day in Cologne, Germany. I was there, and I remember him telling us about how falling in love with Christ and the Church is a part of the call to priesthood. That rang true for me. In high school, priesthood was on my heart. As much as I would try to ignore it, I couldn't shake it. Throughout seminary, as my prayer life deepened, I found myself falling more and more in love with Christ and His Church, the sacraments, our rich history and Tradition, and parish life. I felt the call to be a parish priest, and I love being a priest and being an instrument of God's love and grace for His beloved people. What is common about discerning a vocation, whether it be to the religious life, priesthood, or married life, is "falling in love". Deep down in your heart, you just kind of know. When discerning God's will, a prayer life and the desire to follow God are essential, as well as speaking to others and the Church about it. So a few questions that help establish a foundation for following God's will in our daily lives, both in large ways and small ways, may be: Do we desire to love Christ by how we live our daily lives? Do we listen to Him in daily prayer? Do we remember, and do we communicate to our children, that our talents should be developed because they are gifts from God? Every day is a gift from God, with many decisions. Let us do all things out of love for our Lord, glorifying Him by our lives.

Please pray for our seminarians, especially Gregory Gray, who is from our parish, those discerning religious life, and engaged couples preparing for marriage. May the love of Christ shine on them and through them. Know of my prayers for all of you and your loved ones, and please continue to pray for me and one another.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Cuando yo estaba en el seminario, discernir el sacerdocio me parecía muy complicado porque era un tipo de decisión que yo no estaba acostumbrado a tomar. No estaba decidiendo entre el bien y el mal. No se trataba de cuál era la mejor opción para el éxito o de ganancias o pérdidas. Se trataba de seguir la voluntad de Dios y escuchar su llamado en mi vida. ¿Me estaba llamando Dios a dedicar mi vida a

Él en el servicio de la Iglesia como sacerdote, o me estaba llamando Dios a ser un signo vivo de su amor a través del matrimonio? ¿Cómo se sabe? Cuando leemos el Evangelio de hoy, uno se pregunta cómo Simón, Andrés, Santiago y Juan supieron tan rápidamente dejar sus barcos y sus familias para seguir a Cristo como Apóstoles. Podrían seguir a Cristo como discípulos en medio de sus vidas diarias como pescadores devotos, pero eso no era lo que Jesús les estaba pidiendo. Sabían qué hacer cuando escucharon la voz de Jesús llamándolos.

Cuando hablamos de seguir a Dios, tenemos muchas preguntas: ¿Cómo sabemos la voluntad de Dios? ¿Cómo sabemos lo que Dios nos pide? ¿Cómo escuchamos a Dios? En el 2005, el Papa Benedicto XVI habló a los seminaristas en la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud en Colonia, Alemania. Estuve allí y recuerdo que nos contó cómo enamorarse de Cristo y de la Iglesia es parte del llamado al sacerdocio. Eso me pareció cierto. En la escuela secundaria, el sacerdocio estaba en mi corazón. Yo traté de ignorarlo, pero no podía evitarlo. A lo largo del seminario, a medida que mi vida de oración se profundizaba, me enamoré cada vez más de Cristo y su Iglesia, los sacramentos, nuestra rica historia y Tradición, y la vida parroquial. Sentí el llamado a ser un sacerdote parroquial. Me encanta ser sacerdote y ser un instrumento del amor y la gracia de Dios para su pueblo amado. Lo esencial en el discernimiento de una vocación, ya sea a la vida religiosa, al sacerdocio o a la vida matrimonial, es el "enamoramiento". En lo más profundo del corazón, simplemente se sabe. Para discernir la voluntad de Dios, es esencial la vida de oración, el deseo de seguir a Dios, y hablar con la Iglesia y otras personas. Entonces, algunas preguntas que ayudan a establecer una fundación para seguir la voluntad de Dios en nuestras vidas diarias, en cosas grandes y pequeñas, pueden ser: ¿Deseamos amar a Cristo mediante la forma en que vivimos nuestra vida diaria? ¿Lo escuchamos en la oración diaria? ¿Recordamos y les comunicamos a nuestros hijos que nuestros talentos deben desarrollarse porque son regalos de Dios? Cada día es un regalo de Dios, con muchas decisiones. Hagamos todas las cosas por amor a nuestro Señor, glorificándolo con nuestra vida.

Por favor oren por nuestros seminaristas, especialmente Gregory Gray, quien es de nuestra parroquia, aquellos que discernen la vida religiosa y las parejas comprometidas que se preparan para el matrimonio. Que el amor de Cristo brille sobre ellos y a través de ellos. Conozcan mis oraciones por todos ustedes y sus seres queridos, y continúen rezando por mí y por los demás.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



The candle in the sanctuary is burning
in memory of
GEORGE FABER
By: His Family

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:

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SENIOR CARE: David Africano

WESTWOOD OAKS: Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

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| ~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche | ~ Kathy Call |
| ~ Alice Ramien | ~ Kathy Dechenne |
| ~ Anabelle Beedle | ~ Kelli Burson |
| ~ Abigail Beedle | ~ Kevin Metschuleit |
| ~ Antonio Dominguez | ~ Magdalena Salazar |
| ~ Betty Mulvihill | ~ Margaret Bialas |
| ~ Bill Cox | ~ Maria Toledo |
| ~ Bob Crane | ~ Mia Martin |
| ~ Charlene Russell | ~ Naomi |
| ~ Craig Robinson | ~ Nicky Frey |
| ~ Colleen Kilbride | ~ Nicole & David |
| ~ Daniel Wulffe | ~ Pat Crane |
| ~ Darby Thomas | ~ Patty Lamie |
| ~ Debbie Turner | ~ Rafael Moreno |
| ~ Desiree Grant | ~ Raquel Garcia |
| ~ Donna Paquette | ~ Robert & Kathy Lenzi |
| ~ Elia López | ~ Ron Talamantes |
| ~ Eula Mae Goselin | ~ Russell Westover |
| ~ Gloria Mendez | ~ Sharon Burton |
| ~ Harry Carpenter | ~ Steve Schultz |
| ~ Joe Petronio | ~ Sylvia Martinez |
| ~ José Luis Delgadillo | ~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron |
| ~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis | ~ Tom Sauch |
| ~ Josefina Vazquez | ~ Vito Scafiezzo |
| ~ Juan Isaac Solis | ~ Willis Buchholz |

PRAYER LINE INFORMATION: For your prayer requests, please call **Ann Wheeler** at 815-932-7938 or, email **Barb Jepson** at wbjepson69@gmail.com

*** 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!

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of – January 20 - 28

Saturday, January 20

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| 8:00 am | † Catherine McClure (<i>Mary Schott</i>) |
| 4:30 pm | For All the People of the Parish |
| 6:00 pm | Por Toda la Gente Enferma de la Parroquia |

Sunday, January 21

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| 8:00 am | † Ardelle Norgaard (<i>Myron & Dorothy Lemenager</i>) |
| 9:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 11:30 am | For All the People of the Parish |
| 1:00 pm | † Rodolfo Canales Piña, † Elvira Piña & † Pedro Canales Muñoz (<i>Lucy Canales</i>) † Dagoberto Villagrán (<i>Lupita Mendez</i>) |
| 3:00 pm | † Madonna Hayes (<i>Greg & Julie Azzarelli</i>) |
| 5:00 pm | For All the Sick People of the Parish |

Monday, January 22

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
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Tuesday, January 23

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 6:00 pm | Por las Personas Enfermas de la Parroquia |

Wednesday, January 24

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| 7:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 12:00 pm | † Harry Shekey (<i>Bob & Zandra Cross</i>) |

Thursday, January 25

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| 7:30 am | † Barbara Legacy (<i>Jan Daniels</i>) |
| 6:00 pm | Por las Personas Enfermas de la Parroquia |

Friday, January 26

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| 7:30 am | † Wayne Dresler (<i>Roger & Margaret Jensen</i>) |
| 12:00 pm | Father Michael Driscoll (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Scott Friedman</i>) |

Saturday, January 27

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| 8:00 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 4:30 pm | † Lavaun Demers (<i>Don Demers</i>) |
| 6:00 pm | Por Toda la Gente Enferma de la Parroquia |

Sunday, January 28

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| 8:00 am | Baby Angel (<i>Mom</i>) |
| 9:30 am | For All the Sick People of the Parish |
| 11:30 am | † Dolores Capriotti (<i>Julie Highland</i>) |
| 1:00 pm | † Fernando Villegas (<i>Gabriel & Lupita Mendez</i>) † Alison Saldaña Muñoz & † José Celestino Saldaña (<i>José & María Sadaña</i>) |
| 3:00 pm | For All the People of the Parish |
| 5:00 pm | For All the Sick People of the Parish |

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please contact the office at 815-933-7683.**



ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY



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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. *Marque 815-93397683 + Extensión.*
Call the parish office and PRESS the # button *Llame al número y presione la Tecla # en caso*
In case of a death or a near death emergency *de una emergencia de muerte y necesita un*
and you need a priest. *sacerdote.*

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PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Mark O'Connor- President
Cheryl Walsh - Secretary
- Alicia Saldivar
 - Amy Anderson
 - Mickey Kreissler
 - Tom Martin
 - Ryan Carter

OFFERING/OFRENDA

January 13 & 14, 2024

\$5,651.89

- 124 Envelopes/28 - On Line Donors (\$1,818) -

(This information is being provided to keep you updated)

Monthly School Subsidy to BMCS: \$6,279.00

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,451.00

Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost/Sobres: \$435

Our goal each week is/Meta Semanal: \$10,962.00

THANK YOU GRACIAS

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

Sunday Vespers - 6:30 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

English - Monday-Friday at 7:30 am, Saturday 8:00 am

Español - Martes 6:00 pm, 1er Viernes del Mes 7:00 pm

Latin - Wednesday, Friday & First Saturday at 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS (Conference Room)

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm / Tuesday/Thursday 5:00-5:45 pm

Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a way of life

In gratitude for all the years of dedication and service to our community, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge:

Kathy Wade

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la Corresponsabilidad como un estilo de vida

En agradecimiento por todos los años de dedicación y servicio a nuestra comunidad, reconocemos agradecemos y saludamos a:

Kathy Wade

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. January 22
Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

RI - 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10
G - Mk 3:22-30

Tues. January 23
RI - 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19
G - Mk 3:31-35

Weds. January 24
Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
RI - 2 Sm 7:4-17
G - Mk 4:1-20

Thurs. January 25
Feast of the Conversion of

Saint Paul, Apostle
RI - Acts 22:3-16
G - Mk 16:15-18

Friday, January 26
Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, bishops
RI - 2 Tm 1:1-8
G - Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27
RI - 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17
G - Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 28
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
RI - Dt 18:15-20
R2 - 1 Cor 7:32-35
G - Mk 1:21-28



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 JPII

January 22 - 28

Monday, January 22

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| 12:00-5:00 pm | Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament / Adoración |
| 5:30 pm | CCW Deanery Meeting |
| 6:00 pm | Finance Council Meeting |
| 6:00 pm | Práctica del Coro de Niños |
| 7:00 pm | Reunión del Grupo Carismático |

Tuesday, January 23

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| 9:00 am | Lisieux-Clothing Closet |
| 10:00 am | Fatima Rosary Group |
| 11:00 am | Living Word Bible Study |
| 5:00 pm | Confessions |
| 6:00 - 7:30 pm | Faith Formation Program |
| 7:00 pm | Living Word Bible Study |
| 7:30 pm | Class - Sacraments of Initiation - Adults |

Wednesday, January 24

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| 6:00 - 7:30 pm | Faith Formation Program |
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Thursday, January 25

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| 5:00 pm | Confessions |
| 6:00 pm | Misa y Fiesta en Honor a San Pablo Apóstol |
| 6:30 pm | Adult Choir Practice |
| 6:30 am | Growing in Faith Together |
| 7:00 pm | Encuentros Juveniles |

Friday, January 26

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| 9:00 am | Food Pantry - East Campus |
| 9:00 am | Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center |
| 9:30 am | Home School Gathering |
| 10:00 am | Prayer Shawl Ministry |

Saturday, January 27

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| 12:00 pm | Young on Fire Rosary – Live Stream |
| 3:30 pm | Confessions |

Sunday, January 28

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| 9:00 am | Estudio Bíblico - Hombres |
| 11:30 am | Mass for FFP Students - 1st & 2nd Grades |
| 6:30 pm | Vespers |

FUTURE EVENTS - DATES

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| Jan. 27 | Bautismos (Español) |
| Jan. 29 | Rosary Making Group |
| Feb. 1 | Pro-Life Meeting |
| Feb. 2 | First Friday Adoration Missionary Lay Group Meeting |
| Feb. 3 | Carmelite Lay Group Meeting Adoración Nocturna |
| Feb. 4 | CCW-Bingo Party |
| Feb 10 | Clases Pre-Bautismales Hora Santa de la Divina Misericordia |
| Feb 11 | Clases Pre-Bautismales |
| Feb 14 | Ash Wednesday |
| Feb 17 | Eucharistic Miracles |
| Feb 18 | Eucharistic Miracles |

Bishop Hicks' Column
 JANUARY 2024
 BENEFITS OF A PAPER CALENDAR IN THE DIGITAL AGE



THE BENEFITS OF A PAPER CALENDAR IN THE DIGITAL AGE
 In this digital age, it is easy to get lost in the sea of information. One of the best ways to stay organized and informed is by using a calendar. While many people have turned to digital calendars, there are still many benefits to using a paper calendar. This month's column explores the benefits of a paper calendar in the digital age.

One of the most significant benefits of a paper calendar is its ability to provide a visual overview of your schedule. Unlike a digital calendar, which is often cluttered with notifications and pop-ups, a paper calendar allows you to see your entire month at a glance. This makes it easier to plan ahead and avoid conflicts. Additionally, a paper calendar is a tangible reminder of your commitments, which can help you stay motivated and focused.

Another benefit of a paper calendar is its ability to serve as a keepsake. Unlike a digital calendar, which is often deleted or replaced, a paper calendar is a physical object that can be kept for years to come. This makes it a valuable memento of the past and a source of inspiration for the future. Furthermore, a paper calendar is often more aesthetically pleasing than a digital one, with many designs and themes available.

Finally, a paper calendar is often more reliable than a digital one. While a digital calendar can be hacked or deleted, a paper calendar is a physical object that is not susceptible to these threats. This makes it a more secure and reliable way to keep track of your schedule.

Diocese of Joliet

January 2024 Column

BENEFITS OF A PAPER CALENDAR IN A DIGITAL AGE

"These calendars are so beautiful and informative, serving as a keepsake for years to come."

Scan the QR code or visit the new Diocese of Joliet website to read this month's column from Bishop Hicks.

diojoliet.org

"Lord Teach Me to Pray"

An Ignatian prayer series, will begin again on

Monday, February 5 at 2pm
 and will meet weekly through April 22.

Become personally present through the imagination to events in the life of Jesus Christ as you come to know Him and love Him on this transforming spiritual journey of Ignatian prayer.

Call or text Mary at 815-922-0228 with any questions or to sign up.



Thank You, Young on Fire for collecting hats, gloves, and scarves for Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet. Your generosity is so appreciated. Our clients loved receiving them from you!



We want to thank Jewel-Osco of Kankakee for their kindness and support of our Ministries at Lisieux Outreach Ministries Center and all who donated towards the dinners. We received 10 Turkey dinners and 15 Ham dinners for Thanksgiving for families and 15 Turkey dinners for our families for Christmas. Each Dinner packed is approximately \$65. Thank you also to Kathy and John Wade for picking them up and handing them out to the families.



Lisieux Pastoral and Outreach Ministries Center of JPII hosted Christmas Day, Inc on Christmas to serve dinner to 156 individuals needing a place to get a warm meal and gather so not to be alone on Christmas. Many volunteers helped serve, clean and visit with patrons. We hope we made a wonderful experience for all who attended.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

| MINISTRY | Saturday, January 27 Sábado, 27 de Enero | | Sunday, January 28 Domingo, 28 Enero | | | | |
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| | 4:30 pm | 6:00 pm Español | 8:00 am | 9:30 am | 11:30 am | 1:00 pm Español | 5:00 pm |
| LECTOR | Danute Sheehan | Norma Sanches Rogelio Benites | Linda Kerness | Judith Smead | Cynthia Somerville | Ricardo Valtierra Rogelio Canchola | Julie Koerner |
| USHERS JUICERS | Karen Miller David Montague | Sanjuana Valadez Maria Medina Angelica M. Serna Susana Perez Kathy Teclamar | Robert Kerness Robert Thrasher | Sharon Jackson Sandy Kuntz Charlotte Nolte Mary Westover | Beth Arocha Robert Thrasher | José Hernández Rosalina Tonacatl Israel Lorenzo Maricela Lorenzo | Robert Thrasher |
| COMMUNION MINISTERS | | | Julie Yarno <i>Kathy Bessette</i> | Diane Devine <i>Sandy Girard</i> | | Silvia Esparza Celene Valtierra <i>Patricia Martinez</i> | |
| GREETER | | | | Mary Talamantes | | | |
| SACRISTAN | Karen Miller | Flor Rojas | Kathy Bessette | Sharon Jackson | Flor Rojas | Gabriel & Lupita Mendez | Need Volunteers |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Need Volunteers | Abilene Franquiz Natalia Franquiz Dionisio Franquiz | Need Volunteers | Elliot Powers Bretton Quick Need Volunteer | Damian Ramirez Aaron Ramirez Need Volunteer | Mariana Cabrales Cynthia Canchola Emily Canchola | Need Volunteers |

WEEKDAY MINISTERS / MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

| DATES | LECTOR | SACRISTAN |
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| Jan. 22-27 | Jacob Levy | Sharon Jackson |
| Martes 23 | Serafín López | Ema Elvir |

Linens/Lienzos: Week of January 21: Peggy Shule



**Sunday,
February 4
2:00 pm
(Settles Center)**

Bring a friend and have a great afternoon of friendship and fun!!

Bring some of your favorite snack food to share (optional).

GAMES - FUN - PRIZES

Join THOUSANDS!!!

9 DAYS FOR LIFE


January 16-24

Praying for the protection of human life!
9daysforlife.com



Pro Life LIVING Rosary


The St. John Paul II Pro Life Committee will be joining Young on Fire in a Living Rosary on Saturday, January 20th in honor of the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." Please join us at noon in front of the SJP II Parish grotto.



Azzarelli Outreach Clinic

Could you spare 3 hours each month to help at the Azzarelli Clinic? If so, we would love to discuss volunteer opportunities with you. In order to continue our mission of serving the uninsured and underinsured, we need the following volunteers:

- Translators
- Front desk Receptionists
- LPN (licensed)
- RN (licensed)
- Medical Assistants or EMTs
- Physicians
- Nurse Practitioners (certified)



SPEAK UP TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN!

Are you interested in restoring Parental Rights in the State of Illinois? Did you know that a girl under 18 can get an abortion without notifying her parents? Also a boy or a girl under 18 can receive gender modification procedures without notifying their parents? The Parents Matter Coalition (PMC) is trying to get the Right to Parent advisory question on November's Ballot. We need your help! After Masses on January 20th and 21st the Pro Life Committee will be asking for your signatures on the petition so we can get this change on the Ballot, and parents in Illinois will be required to be notified if their minor children are considering these life changing actions.

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



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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 sábado: Adoración Nocturna a las 8:00 pm
- 1er sábado: Rosario después de misa de 6:00 pm
- 2do sábado del mes: Hora Santa de La Divina Misericordia después de misa de 6:00 pm
- Devociones al Sagrado Corazón: Después de misa del primer viernes del mes de 7:00 pm.

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YouTube: The Living Word Bible Study Kankakee
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Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, January 26

Lunes, 26 de Enero

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 20

Sábado, 20 de Enero

8:30 - 10:00 am

JP2 Conference Room

For Questions Call:

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

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Next Date to be Announced
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According to St. John of the Cross

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¿La Campaña Anual para los Ministerios Católicos 2024 ya está en marcha!

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2024 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 For the Glory of God. 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, but together through the appeal we can do so much more.

Our parish's goal for the 2024 CMAA is \$GOAL, and 70 percent 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!

A medida que la Diócesis de Joliet

lanza la Campaña Anual para los Ministerios Católicos 2024 (CAMC), estamos pidiendo humildemente a todos los feligreses que se comprometan a apoyar este importante esfuerzo, ya que juntos podemos hacer una diferencia profunda.

El tema de la CAMC de este año es Gloria 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 hospedaje segura para los que no tienen hogar, alimentar las necesidades físicas y sociales de los que tienen hambre, inspirar los que están discerniendo una vida de vocación, y ayudar en la educación de nuestra próxima generación de católicos. Nuestra parroquia no podría lograr todo esto sola, pero juntos a través de la campaña podemos hacer mucho más.

La meta de nuestra parroquia para la CAMC 2024 es \$META, y se nos regresará el 70 por ciento de cualquier cantidad que recaudemos y será usada fructíferamente entre nuestra parroquia. Por favor revise los materiales que recibió por correo de la Diócesis de Joliet este mes y reflexione en oración sobre su donación a la Campaña Anual de este año.

Si no recibe un correo de CAMC, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial. ¡Gracias!

IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Coordinator of Youth Ministry - Maternity BVM, Bourbonnais, IL

Maternity BVM, Bourbonnais is seeking to hire a Coordinator of Youth Ministry. The Coordinator of Youth Ministry coordinates a Comprehensive Catholic Youth Ministry program that engages spiritual, service, and social activities designed to engage the youth of the parish, with a focus on Junior High and High School (grades 6-12). Overall duties include establishing opportunities for youth and their families to actively participate in the life of the parish as well as providing opportunities for youth to grow in their relationship with Jesus. Assembles a youth ministry leadership team for adults and youth. Assumes other responsibilities and duties as assigned by the Pastor. Work Schedule primary work hours are to be present to the youth and their parents when they are available, with presence on some days during office hours to collaborate with pastor and parish staff. Total hours would be 30-40 hours per week. Must be a practicing Roman Catholic in good standing and must know, profess and act consistently in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church and the policies of the Diocese of Joliet, The Clerics of St. Viator, and Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. Qualifications are basic computer skills, including MS Word and Outlook, and an understanding of social media. Ability to pass background checks. A willingness to engage in professional development and continuing education opportunities. To view a complete job description, visit: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois. To apply for this amazing opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume via attachment to Rev. Jason Nesbit, C.S.V. at jnesbit@mbvm.org.



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Telephone Reassurance Program

Catholic Charities' Telephone Reassurance Program (TRP) is a friendly caller program that matches volunteer callers to older adults in our community. The Program connects older adults and volunteers through weekly telephone conversations that foster connection, increase socialization, and help reduce feelings of loneliness. Telephone Reassurance Participants and Volunteers develop person-to-person relationships that provide support and a friendly person to talk to.

We are actively seeking individuals who are interested in participating in the Program.

To receive calls, you must be 60+, live in Grundy, Will, or Kankakee counties, and want to make a social connection over the phone.

To volunteer for the Telephone Reassurance Program, we ask volunteers to serve 3-6 hours a week. As a volunteer, you will receive pre-service orientation and training. All volunteers must pass federal and state background checks. You can volunteer from the comfort of your own home.

To learn more about this social and rewarding opportunity, please contact Crystal Del Rio at 815-221-6020 / trp@cc-doj.org.

FROM OUR DIOCESE

VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR

January 22-28

Remember these men and women in your daily prayers –priests, Deacons, Seminarians and Women & Men Religious in the Diocese of Joliet:

- 22 Fr. Juan Carlos Pirir
- 23 Fr. Mark J. Bernhard, Fr. Max Behna, Fr. Peter Infanger
- 24 Sr. Hyacintha Nepala, Sr. Karen Nykiel, Sr. Victorine Shongwe, Sr. Celestine Shakungu OSB
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- 28 Sr. M. Kathleen McLinden, Sr. Mary Raphael Schmitz, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Sheffer O CARM

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Pope Francis

VOCATION PRAYER

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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