

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.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Reservations are now required to attend mass with limited seating in accordance with the reopening plan put forth from the Diocese of Joliet and the State of Illinois.

> St. John Paul II 907 S. 9th Ave., Kankakee

SATURDAY 4:30 pm Vigil Mass 6:00 pm Misa de Vigilia en Español

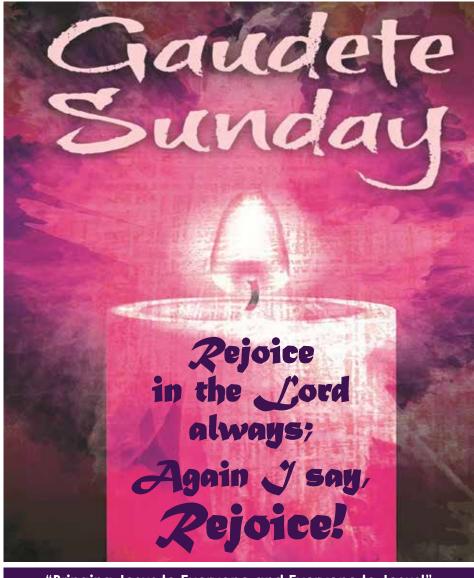
> SUNDAY 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 am 1:00 pm (Español), 5:00 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 7:30 am Martes/Tuesday 6:00 pm (Español) SATURDAY 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Conference Room Saturday 3:30-4:30pm Tuesday/Thursday 5:00-5:45 pm Third Sunday of Advent December 13, 2020



"Bringing Jesus to Everyone and Everyone to Jesus!"

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

UNA NOTA DEL PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This Sunday is different from the other Sundays of Advent. Today, the candle on the Advent wreath and the vestments of the priests and deacons take a break from purple, a color which symbolizes penitence and preparation, and are adorned in rose (or pink). None of the other Sundays in Advent have a name, but today is "Gaudete Sunday"—Gaudete is Latin for "Rejoice!" We take a break from the nighttime purple

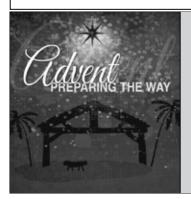
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of Advent to rejoice with the color rose as the light of the Son of God begins to dawn. The coming of Christ on Christmas is near, and the feast of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is the cause of our joy, is quickly approaching.

So what does this Sunday tell us about the rest of Advent? We need this Sunday because, practically, we need a glimpse of Christmas joy and a reminder that the reason for our preparation, the coming of our beloved Savior, will soon be here. It focuses us. Advent is not a mini and pre-emptive Christmas season. Rather, it is a season of preparation and waiting. Waiting is an act of hope by which we create and prepare a space to receive the one we expect, in this case Jesus Christ. As the church moves from being a somewhat silent space to being filled with decorations and instruments in celebration of the joyful feast of our Lord's Nativity, let us do the same. During this Advent, have we created that space to receive our Lord? Have we set aside time for prayer? Have we prepared our souls to receive Christ anew through the sacrament of penance and reconciliation? Have we stopped to reflect on the lights and evergreens as a reminder of the radiant coming of Christ, the author of life? The lights, trees, bows, presents, and parties are not the end, but they assist us in our celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. Let us receive Him anew! While the world is always being distracted by constant movement, chaos, and conflicts, it received its Creator and Savior in the silence and stillness of the night in the little town of Bethlehem. Let us continue to create that serene, quiet, and trusting place in our lives so that we may receive with great joy our Beloved Lord Jesus Christ: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near" (Phil. 4:4-5).

In Christ,

Fr. Matt



Joy-filled Giver of Life, Let the anticipation of your birth fill us with overflowing joy. May our excitement and anticipation be a sign to the world that you are always near. Amen.

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Este domingo es diferente de los otros domingos de Adviento. Hoy, la vela en la corona de adviento, las vestiduras de los sacerdotes y diáconos toman un descanso del morado, que simboliza la penitencia y la preparación, y se adornan en rosa. Ninguno de los otros domingos en Adviento tiene un nombre, pero hoy es el "Domingo *Gaudete*". *Gaudete* en latín significa "¡Alégrate!" Dios comienza a amanecer. La venida de

Cristo en Navidad está cerca y la fiesta de la Natividad de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que es la causa de nuestro gozo, se acerca rápidamente.

Entonces, ¿qué nos dice este domingo sobre el resto de Adviento? Necesitamos este domingo porque, en la práctica, necesitamos un vistazo de la alegría navideña y un recordatorio de que el propósito de nuestra preparación, la venida de nuestro Salvador, pronto estará aquí. Nos enfoca. El Adviento no se define como una mini temporada navideña y preventiva. Más bien, es una temporada de preparación y esperanza. Esperar es un acto en cual creamos y preparamos un espacio para recibir lo que esperamos, en este caso Jesucristo. Mientras la iglesia pasa de ser un espacio de tranquilidad a estar llena de adornos e instrumentos en celebración de Navidad, hagamos lo mismo. Durante este Adviento, ¿hemos creado espacio para recibir a nuestro Señor? ¿Hemos reservado tiempo para la oración? ¿Hemos preparado nuestras almas para recibir a Cristo nuevamente a través del sacramento de la penitencia y la reconciliación? ¿Hemos reflexionado de las luces y los árboles como recordatorios de la radiante venida de Cristo, el autor de la vida? Las luces, los árboles, los regalos y las fiestas no son el fin, pero nos ayudan en nuestra celebración del nacimiento de Jesucristo. ¡Recibámoslo nuevamente! Mientras el mundo siempre se distrae con el movimiento constante, el caos y los conflictos, recibió a su Creador y Salvador en el silencio y la quietud de la noche en la pequeña ciudad de Belén. Sigamos creando un lugar sereno, tranquilo y confiado en nuestras vidas para que podamos recibir con gran alegría a Jesucristo, nuestro Señor: "Alégrense siempre en el Señor; se lo repito: ¡alégrense! El Señor está cerca" (Fil. 4: 4-5).

En Cristo, Padre Mateo



Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a way of life In gratitude of God's gifts of time and talent to us we gratefully acknowledge and salute

Julie Busken

Sunday Offering/Ofrenda del Domingo December 6, 2020 \$11,846.00 (124 envelopes) (Includes \$5,563 from Online Giving added above)

> Mail in Donations Nov. 9- Dec. 7 \$13,214.00 (103 envelopes)

In an effort to keep you more informed, this information is being provided to the parishioners.

Monthly School Subsidy to Bishop McNamara: \$5,833.34

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,584 Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost: \$435

Our goal each week to cover our expenses is: Nuestra Meta por Semana para cubrir los gastos es de: \$12,855.00

THANK YOU GRACIAS

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We are moving to a new online donation site. If you are currently making a recurring donation, please suspend/ cancel your account and establish one on our new site https://ip2kankakee.weshareonline.org

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Homebound & Nursing Home Parishioners

HOMEBOUND: Bernadette Denault, Barbara Ciaccio, Rose Kaminsky, Thrasilla Janczak, Rosemary Dicarlo ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING: Rosalyn Szymborski CITADEL CARE CENTER: LUTHER PLACE: Leola Mulvihill **OUR LADY OF ANGELS: OUR LADY OF VICTORY:** PRESENCE HERITAGE Lodge: Dick Keethers, Theresa Fisher, John Hagan, Therese Falkenhan Village: Bert White **RIVER NORTH:** BICKFORD: Carol Sprimont **RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:** Miller: Butterfield Court: Dorothy Kanosky, Rita Morris, Muffy Stamper, Colette Cheffer Senior Care: Ardel Norgaard Westwood Oaks: Eileen Dupuis

THIS WEEK AT JP2

Monday, December 1412:00pmAdoration of the Blessed Sacrament6:30pmFishers of Men

Tuesday, December 15

Fatima Rosary Group
Living Word Bible Study
Confessions
FFP Classes

Wednesday, December 16 6:15pm FFP Classes

Thursday, December 17

Friday, December 18

9:00am	Food Pantry-East Campus
9:00am	Clothing Closet @ Lisieux
6:00pm	12 Step Program @ Lisieux

Saturday, December 19

All Parish Advent Confessions			
Hour of Power Prayer Time			
Drive by Santa Visits			
Confessions			

Sunday, December 20Fourth Sunday of Advent9:00amPescador de Hombres Bible Study (Men)

Please Note: Times/Events subject to change as needed. Visit our website at jp2kankakee.org to view the most current calendar.

Healing Prayer

Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay your healing Hands upon all those who are sick. We beg You to have compassion on all those who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their pitiful circumstances. In Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Alvarado, Gracie Bergeron, Phyllis Call, Kathy Cortes, Elias Delaney, Ethel Juarez, Maura Licon, Arthur Marsick, Virginia Norgaard, Ardelle Raut, Francis Smith, Jackson Szymborski, Roselyn Wulffe, Daniel Azzarelli, Barb Brandon, Linda Clocksin, Bill Crane, Pat Emling, Kenneth Gos LaPierre, Jonette Kreutzer, Gabriele Mendez, Gloria Pagono, Agnes Robinson, Craig Sprimont, Carol Vallone, Gloria & Sammy Wulffe, Matthew

Beedle, Jim Butler, Mike Clocksin, Mary Dechenne, Kathy Goselin, Eula Mae Lenzi, Kathy Martinez, Sylvia Mosby, Yair Nuñez Ramirez, Jose Saindon, Jim Barrett, Rita mmy

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

St. John Paul II Directory Phone 815-933-7683 Fax 815-933-7692						
Parish Office Hours						
Mon.—Thurs. 9 am—4 pm Fri. 9 am—1 pm						
Horario de la Oficina Hispana Martes a Jueves 9am-4pm Viernes 9 am-1 pm						
Pastor						
Very Rev. Matthew Pratscher ext. 402						
frmatt@jp2kankakee.org						
Parochial Vicar						
Rev. John Horan ext. 412						
frhoran@jp2kankakee.org Deacons						
David Marlowe, Greg Clodi, & Rocco Busato						
In case of a death or a near death emergency						
and you need a priest, please call the parish office,						
815-933-7683 and PRESS the # button						
Pastoral Associate:						
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RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults						
Pastoral Secretary/Bulletin Editor/Parish Life Coord. Kathy Dummer ext. 408						
kdummer@jp2kankakee.org						
Please email bulletin requests to the above address						
no later than the previous Friday before the weekend						
requested. Director del Ministerio Hispano:						
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YouTube: St. John Paul II Kankakee						
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Deb Groth-Secretary						
Marc Nichols Gabriel Mendez Chris Smith						
Maria Pizano-Calderon Bob Kerness						
Finance Council Members						
Claudia Noe-President Cheryl Walsh-Secretary						
Sonda Clocksin Amy Anderson Gene Marcotte Alicia Saldivar Mark O'Connor						
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Usher Schedule Lista de Ujieres

December 15 6:00 PM	David Calvillo, Veronica Calvillo				
December 19 4:30 PM	*Janice Shenk, Bob Thrasher				
December 19 6:00 PM	Susana Perez, Vivente Andrade, Marcela Andrade				
December 20 8:00 AM	* Cathy Langlois, Bob Thrasher				
December 20 9:30 AM	* Deb Groth, Bob Thrasher, Steve Kelley				
December 20 11:30 AM	*Beth Arocha, George Arocha, Rosario Lira, Israel Lira				
December 20 1:00 PM	Octavio Garcia, Bryan Garcia, Rosalina Tonacatl, Jose Hernandez				
December 20 5:00 PM	Bob Thrasher				

Disinfecting Team Schedule Equipo de Desinfeción

December 15 6:00 PM	David Calvillo, Veronica Calvillo				
December 19 4:30 PM	Janice Shenk, Bob Thrasher				
December 19 6:00 PM	Vivente Andrade, Marcela Andrade				
December 20 8:00 AM	Cathy Langlois, Bob Thrasher				
December 20 9:30 AM	Bob Thrasher, Steve Kelley				
December 20 11:30 AM	Beth Arocha, George Arocha				
December 20 1:00 PM	Gabriel Mendez, Rafael Mendez				
December 20 5:00 PM	Bob Thrasher				

Our Parish Pictorial Directory is delayed again...



Lifetouch factory in Ohio has been shut down again due to the pandemic.

We were told that our directories would be received by the end of November and now we are being told that they are unsure when they will ship.

This is disappointing and quite frustrating, but it is out of our control!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 14 (St. John of the Cross) Numbers 24:2-7,15-17a

Matthew 21:23-27 Tuesday, December 15

Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13 Matthew 21:28-32

Wednesday, December 16 Isaiah 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25

Luke 7:18b-23 **Thursday, December 17** Genesis 49:2, 8-10

Matthew 1:1-17 Friday, December 18

Jeramiah 23:5-8 Matthew 1:18-25

Saturday, December 19 Judges13:2-7, 24-25a

Luke 1:5-25

Sunday, December 20 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38



SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Call the parish office for Pre-Baptismal requirements and scheduling. Call 815-933-7683.

Weddings: Marriage Preparation begins <u>at least 6 months</u> in advance. Call the parish office for date confirmation before finalizing other wedding plans.

Bodas:

La preparación comienza seis

meses antes. Llame a la

oficina parroquial para confirmar la fecha antes de

finalizar otros planes de su boda.

PROCEDIMIENTO PARA SACRAMENTOS

Bautismo Llame a la oficina parroquial por lo menos dos meses antes, para curso pre-bautismal y requisitos . Llame 815-933-7683.

> The candle in the sanctuary is burning in memory of Tom O'Connor

Requested by The Clodi Family



Prayer Line Information

You may call any of these numbers with your prayer requests.

Beverly Kohan Ann Wheeler Rita Kanosky 815-932-1364 815-932-7938 815-932-4974



MASS INTENTION REQUEST CHANGES COMING...

Starting in January, 2021, only two masses each week can have more than one intention. This is in compliance with the Diocesan guidelines.

When we merged the three parishes in 2017, we were given permission to have multiple intentions for each mass, but now after 3 1/2 years, we will begin to follow those guidelines.

Please make your requests by calling the parish office to make sure that the date and mass time you are requesting is free. Thank You

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	December 12, 2020 – Our Lady of Guadalupe			
8:00 a.m.	† Earl (Bud) Uribe (Cheryl Lynn Heldt)			
12:00 p.m.	For All the Parishioners of St. John Paul II			
4:30 p.m.	† Jim Gerard (Jeanne Regnier)			
6:00 p.m.	† Javier Sanchez (Maria Sanchez)			
Sunday	December 13, 2020			
8:00 a.m.	† Ronald Coash (JP2 Parish Family)			
	† Gertrude "Tootie" Suprenant (John Suprenant)			
9:30 a.m.	† LeRoy Dandurand (Cheryl Heldt)			
11:30 a.m.	† Betty Grant (The Family)			
1.00 n m	† Brunell Dupuis (The Family) † Carmon Dizona (Dalawa Digana)			
1:00 p.m.	† Carmen Pizano (Dolores Pizano) † Less Colorales (Dataisia Marting)			
5:00 p.m.	† Jose Cabrales (Patricia Martinez) For All the Parishioners of St. John Paul II			
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Monday	December 14, 2020			
7:30 a.m.	† Byron Heldt (Cheryl Heldt) † Danald Basedon (Bernice Bulashi)			
	† Donald Bogdan (Bernice Bukosky)			
Tuesday	December 15, 2020			
7:30 a.m.	† Joseph Dressler (Ron & Pat Dressler)			
6:00 p.m.	† Juan Corona (Emu Suartegui)			
	† Almas del purgatoria (Ana Santillan)			
Wednesday	December 16, 2020			
7:30 a.m.	† Violet LaMontagne (Bett & Kathy A)			
Thursday	December 17, 2020			
7:30 a.m.	† Bill Powers (Fran Powers)			
Friday	December 18, 2020			
7:30 a.m.	† Bud Uribe (Alan & Jackie LaRoche)			
Saturday 8:00 a.m.	December 19, 2020 † Beth Lamie (Lynn Lamie)			
4:30 p.m.	† Thomas O'Connor (Vivian Danca)			
6:00 p.m.	Familia Martinez (Angelica Martinez)			
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Sunday 8:00 a.m.	December 20, 2020 All of the Parishioners of St. John Paul II			
9:30 a.m.	† Ronald Caash (Joanne Riberdy)			
5.50 a.m.	† Veronica Carlson (Kathy/Troy Dechenne)			
11:30 a.m.	† James Kresl (Katy Kresl)			
1:00 p.m.	† Concepcion Barbosa (Dolores Pizano)			
	Pedro Canales Muñoz (Lucy Canales)			
5:00 p.m.	† Bev Stukenborg (James Bates)			

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DAY/MONTH	TIME	LOCATION	LITURGY/ACTIVITY
Sunday, December 13	6:30 pm	Church	The Year of the Eucharist Eucharistic Holy Hour and Presentation
Weds., Dec. 16	7:00 pm-	Live Streamed	Posada

No in person attendance

Sin asistencia en persona

A visit with Santa from your car

Drive by Santa

Hail Mary Full of Grace

The Lord is with thee...

Advent Confessions



O God of Joy, You have given us your Son, Jesus the Messiah, to live in our midst and show us the path of your divine life. As we anticipate the festival of His Birth, send us your Spirit, to help us celebrate joyfully, this apex of our salvation. May our joy continue to grow amidst the vicissitudes of life, as Jesus is reborn again in each one of us. Amen

> "Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel, shall come to thee, O Israel..."



8:00 pm

12:00 pm

to

3:00 pm

8:30 am-

10:00

only

Outside of

JP2 Settles

Center/Gym

Settles Center

to

Weds., Dec. 23

December 19

December 19

Saturday,

Saturday.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Family Mass 6:00 pm Spanish 8:00 pm English 12:00 Midnight English

> Christmas Day 8:00 am English 10:00 am English 12:0 pm Spanish

Reservations are now being taken by calling the parish office, 815-933-7683, or you can also sign up online on the JP2 website, jp2kankakee.org Please make you reservations soon... Some masses are filling up!



Eucharistic Holy Hour "THE REAL PRESENCE"

Fr. Matt Pratscher Sunday, December 13 6:30 pm JP2 church

Our Year of the Eucharist presentations and adoration time will begin in December. These will normally take place on the second Sunday of the month thru September.

THANK YOU GRACIAS

Thank you JP2 family, for donating all the hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, Vitamin C packets, candy canes, and beautifully designed gift cards for us to write our special messages for the 159 gift bundles we provided to our Clothing Closet and Giving Tree. A special shout-out to our Mom's who helped us with this service project!

We couldn't have done this without all of your help!

Love and Blessings to All, Young on Fire Ministry Kids





DRIVE BY SANTA EVENT For One and All December 19 from 12 to 2 pm 956 S. 10th Ave. (in front of Settles Center)

Come enjoy socially distanced pictures with Santa and let him know what you want for Christmas- all from the comfort of your Car! We will post the pictures on our St. John Paul II Facebook page later for you to download at your own convenience!

FAITHFORMATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



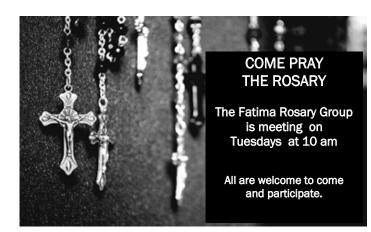
Every Monday/Cada Lunes 12-5pm First Friday of the month/ Primer viernes del mes 8:00 am-6:00 pm Primer Sábado del mes / First Saturday of the month Adoración Nocturna/Nocturnal Adoration 8:00 pm-5:00 am



Merry Christmas from GIFT and Words of Wisdom Book Club May the Peace of Christ be with you and your family.

Our ministries will return next year. If you have questions about either one of them please contact Laurie Mau, 815-933-8859





Such is the grace of God and such is our faith, which we must transmit to our sons and daughters, transmit to children, so that once adults, they can do the same for their children. This is what Baptism is. Pope Francis

> THE FAMILY OF ST. JOHN PAUL II WELCOMES YOU! NEW CHILDREN OF GOD

BAPTIZED ON NOVEMBER 14 2020 DALARY ACOSTA Child of Carlos Acosta & Marissa Valdez BAPTIZED ON NOVEMBER 14, 2020

ATHZIRI JADE PINA Child of Cesar Pina & Maria Rosa Alvarez

Living Word Bible Study

The Gospel of Mark Tuesdays 11:00 am 7:00 pm

JP2 Family Center





HOUR OF POWER PRAYER TIME

> SATURDAYS 9-10 AM CONFERENCE ROOM

The Family of St. John Paul II extend its Deepest Sympathy to the families of

Gerardo & Maria Medina John Surprenant

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace.

MINISTERIO HISPANO

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aquezada@jp2kankakee.org

Azzarelli Outreach Clinic Clinica Medica Semana de diciembre 14-18

Vean los anuncios afuera de la clínica para detalles actualizados o llame a la clínica al 815-928-6093.

POR FAVOR ESCUCHE EL MENSAJE COMPLETO PARA LA INFORMACION ACTUALIZADA!!





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