

# 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.

**Third Sunday of Advent      December 15, 2019**



## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

## CONFESIONS

Saturday 3:30 pm or by appointment  
3:30 pm los sábados o por cita

**JOY      ALEGRÍA**

"Bringing Jesus to Everyone and Everyone to Jesus!"

## RECIPE FOR OUR SUNDAY OF JOY

Sunday of joy... and what's the joy all about? Well, Christmas is near. The festival of our salvation is at hand, and we are waiting with joyful expectation to celebrate this great feast of divine love. And so, on this Gaudete Sunday, may I offer you, my dear church, a spiritual recipe for spiritual joy:

**AN OUNCE OF FORGIVENESS.** The first step is always forgiveness. I offered a very strong message of forgiveness, compassion and mercy at all the masses last Sunday, and I hope that we all have gotten some time to reflect about it and think radically about how to incarnate that message in our lives. As I always say, it is not possible to come close to the heart of joy if our veins are clogged with hate, unforgiveness and resentment. We need to unclog the passages of joy in order for them to flow into our hearts. That message is absolute and universal, and very concrete and particular at the same time. Let's keep working on the culture of forgiveness in our community. Seek forgiveness that you may give it away to others.

**A CUP OF BLESSING.** Joy is possible only when we can count our blessings. No matter how God pours out His abundant grace upon us, if we do not recognize it and take to heart the truth that we are abundantly blessed and loved, beyond what we can acknowledge, we can never have any reason for joy. Joy is our soul's response to the abundance of God's blessings. Sometimes, our blindness to the blessings is caused by our lack of time and effort to recognize the way God works. And so, pause, look, and see what God has done!

**GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT.** Joy does not grow and blossom in selfishness. In fact, selfishness is like hot asphalt poured over a fertile seedbed of generosity, making it impossible for anything to grow and bear fruits of joy. Selfishness brings misery while generosity bears joyful fruits. And so, every time we put others ahead of us, every time we share something of ourselves with others, and every time we bring hope to a world in despair, we water the seedbeds of joy. As St. Teresa of Kolkata teaches us, we do not have to do big things to benefit the fruits of joy. It can be as little as small acts of kindness and generosity of spirit. It can be a simple gesture of welcome and a smile of friendliness. Joy is indeed within the reach of each one of us, because it grows out of the littlest efforts done with great love.

**PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY.** If joy is a fruit of the Holy Spirit as Saint Paul writes to the Galatians (5:22), then we have to stay connected to the Spirit of God through prayer and devotion. In other words, we need to have a genuine spirituality, that is, we need to be intimately filled with the Spirit of God. This is the true secret of sanctity, the true essence of joy. We need to do everything always in synergy with the spirit of God, that is at work in us as the Church.

And so, my dear parishioners, on this Gaudete Sunday, it is my prayer that the true and lasting joy that is born out of the Spirit of God in us may bring awe to the world and make them long for God in the people around us. May they say to us, "I like what you are having..." and we can respond, "You can have it too!"

Have a joyful advent journey and even more, a blessed Christmas ahead.

In the joy of the Lord,  
*Fr. Sunny Castillo*



## RECETA PARA EL DOMINGO DE ALEGRÍA

Domingo de Alegría ... y ¿de qué se trata la alegría? Bueno, la Navidad se acerca. La fiesta de nuestra salvación está a la mano, y la esperamos con alegre anticipación y celebrar ésta gran fiesta del amor divino. Así es que, en este Domingo Gaudete, permítanme, mi querida iglesia, ofrecerles una receta espiritual para la alegría espiritual:

**UNA ONZA DE PERDÓN.** El primer paso siempre es el perdonar. Les ofrecí un mensaje fuerte del perdón, compasión y misericordia en todas las misas el Domingo pasado, y espero que todos hayamos pasado tiempo para reflexionar y pensar radicalmente en cómo encarnar ese mensaje en nuestras vidas. Como siempre digo, no es posible hacer carnes al corazón de la alegría si nuestras venas están llenas de odio, sin perdón y con resentimiento. Necesitamos destapar los pasillos para que la alegría fluya libremente en nuestros corazones. Ese mensaje es absoluto y universal, y muy concreto y particular al mismo tiempo. Sigamos trabajando sobre la cultura del perdón en nuestra comunidad. Busquen el perdonar para darlo a los demás.

**UNA TASA DE BENDICIÓN.** La alegría es posible solamente cuando podemos contar nuestras bendiciones. No le hace como Dios llueva sobre nosotros Su abundante gracia, si no la reconocemos y la tomamos a corazón, la realidad de que somos abundantemente bendecidos y amados más allá de lo que podemos reconocer, nunca tendremos razón para ser alegres. La alegría es la respuesta de nuestra alma a la abundancia de las bendiciones de Dios. En veces, nuestra ceguedad a las bendiciones es causada por nuestra falta de tiempo y esfuerzo para reconocer cómo trabaja Dios. Y entonces, hay que tomar pausa, mirar y ver ¡lo que Dios ha hecho!

**GENEROSIDAD DE ESPÍRITU.** La alegría no crece, no florece en el egoísmo. En realidad, el egoísmo es como asfalto derramado sobre una simiente de generosidad, haciéndolo imposible para crecer y fructificar en alegría. El egoísmo causa la miseria mientras la generosidad da frutos de alegría. Así es que, cada vez que damos a otros el primer lugar, cada vez que compartimos algo personal con otros y cada vez que damos esperanza a un mundo en desesperanza, entonces damos agua a las semillas de la alegría. Como nos dice Sta. Teresa de Kolkata, no tenemos que hacer cosas grandes para fructificar la alegría, puede ser tan pequeño como pequeños actos de amabilidad y generosidad de espíritu. Puede ser un simple gesto de bienvenida y una sonrisa amistosa. La alegría está a nuestro alcance, porque crece de pequeños esfuerzos dados con gran amor.

**ORACIÓN Y ESPIRITUALIDAD.** Si la alegría es el fruto del Espíritu Santo como dice San Pablo a los Gálatas (5:22), entonces debemos estar en contacto con el Espíritu de Dios por medio de la oración y la devoción. En otras palabras, necesitamos tener una auténtica espiritualidad, eso es, necesitamos estar íntimamente repletos con el Espíritu de Dios. Este es el verdadero secreto de la santidad, la verdadera esencia de la alegría. Debemos siempre hacer todo sintonizados con el espíritu de Dios, que obra entre nosotros como Iglesia.

Entonces, mis queridos feligreses, en este Domingo Gaudete, es mi oración que la alegría sea verdadera y prevalente en nosotros, nacida del Espíritu de Dios y que produzca el asombro a nuestro mundo y el anhelo profundo por Dios a la gente a nuestro alrededor. Que ellos nos digan, "Me gusta lo que tienen..." y respondemos, "Tu también lo puedes tener!"

Que tengan una jornada alegre de adviento y sobre todo, bendiciones Navideñas hacia el futuro.

En la alegría del Señor,  
*Fr. Sunny Castillo*

<b>Liturgical Schedule</b>	<b>Saturday</b> December 21 4:30 pm	<b>Saturday/Sábado</b> December 21 6:00 pm	<b>Sunday</b> December 22 8:00 am	<b>Sunday</b> December 22 9:30 am	<b>Sunday</b> December 22 11:30 am
<b>Altar Servers/ Monaguillos</b>	Michaela Richey	Denise Andrade Bladimir Franquiz Damaris Franquiz	Bob Thrasher	Maddie Russell Abby Medina	Alex Lopez Axel Lopez Adrian Molina
<b>Lectors/ Lectores</b>	Joe Martino <b>Both Readings</b>	Marcela Andrade Jose Lopez Gustavo Flores	1) Ann Wheeler 2) Richard Hemza	1) Jacob Levy 2) Marcia Brown-Medina	1) Sharren Suddick 2) Laura Shellie
<b>Communion Ministers/ Ministros de la Comunión</b>	*Deb Groth Chet Brandon John Brill Jan Brill	Vicente Andrade Juanita Ayala Luis Ayala	*Tracy Douglas Bev Stukenborg Dave Lystila Brenda Lystila	*Marcia Scanlon *Cathy Langlois *Julie Busken Fran Powers Donna Worth Dolores O'Connor	*Sister Evangeline Annette Kurzejka Don Somerville Cynthia Somerville
<b>Ushers Ujieres</b>	*Bob Thrasher Lynne Martino David Savoie Annie Syrstad	Eloisa Ayala Jose Ayala Maria Guerrero Virginia Ayala	*Tom Clocksin Dave Denault	*Bob Crane Bob Thrasher Jason Depatis Jane Gerth	*Beth Arocha George Arocha Ramon Lopez Chuck Juarez
<b>Welcoming/ Bienvenida</b>	Ryan Carter Laura Carter	Luci Canales Veronica Carmona	Julie Azzarelli	Mary Talamantes Jon Loiselle Laurie Mau	Jane McLin Beth Arocha

**Weekday Ministers:**

December 15-21 Daily Mass: Lector: Sharon Jackson Comm. Ministers: Mickey Kreissler/Sister Magdalena Altar Server: Arnie Joubert

December 22-28 Daily Mass: Desiree Grant Comm. Ministers: Fran Powers/Sister Krystyna Altar Server: Ken Klipp

No 7:30 am Morning Mass on Dec. 24/25

Linens: December 8/15: Frances Powers December 15/21: Sharon Jackson December 22/29: Marilyn McDermott

<b>Liturgical Schedule</b>	<b>Sunday/Domingo</b> December 22 1:00 pm	<b>Liturgical Schedule</b>	<b>Sunday</b> December 22 5:00 pm	<b>MASS SCHEDULES</b> <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b> 3pm Children's Mass 6pm Spanish Mass 9pm English Mass 11pm Bilingual Mass
<b>Altar Servers/ Monaguillos</b>	Guadalupe Valadez Chris Garcia Cassandra Valtierra	<b>Altar Servers/ Monaguillos</b>	Bob Thrasher	
<b>Lectors/ Lectores</b>	Eliana Garcia Ricardo Valtierra Elia Lopez	<b>Lectors/ Lectores</b>	Jessica Clodi	
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<b>Ushers Ujieres</b>	Marina Reza Octavio Garcia Ricardo Esparza Eliana Garcia	<b>Ushers Ujieres</b>	Magdalena Velasco Isabelle Velasco	
<b>Welcoming/ Bienvenida</b>	Eva Mora Patricia Martinez	<b>Welcoming/ Bienvenida</b>	Ushers Welcome	



**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
10am English Mass  
12pm Spanish Mass

**DECEMBER 31**  
7:30am Regular Morning mass  
6:00pm Vigil Mass Bilingual

**JANUARY 1**  
**SOLEMNITY OF THE  
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,  
MOTHER OF GOD**  
6:00pm Bilingual Mass

## **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

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### **Deacons**

David Marlowe, Greg Clodi, & Rocco Busato

**In case of a death or a near death emergency  
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### **Pastoral Associate:**

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requested.

Sister Elsie Gamez- Bulletin Translation

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### **Parish Council Members**

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Julie Busken Kris Smith Bob Kerness

### **Finance Council Members**

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## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

### **Saturday**

#### **December 14, 2019**

† Byron Heldt (*Cheryl Heldt*)

† Lucas (*Janice Ramos*)

† George Faber (*Sr. Mary & Brother Bob*)

† Rafaela Santoyo Gomez (*Alma Vazquez*)

† Carmen Silva Sotelo (*Maria Mendez*)

† Animas Del Purgatorio (*Maria Toledo*)

### **Sunday**

#### **December 15, 2019 Third Sunday of Advent**

† Juliana (*Janice Ramos*)

† Dick Fitch (*Verna Tompkin*)

† Joseph Dressler (*Ron & Pat Dressler*)

† Robert Worth (*Betty Azzarelli*)

† Jim Kresl (*Katy Kresl*)

† Rosemary Miller (*Rita Fredrickson*)

For All the People of St. John Paul II

† Ellen Galeaz (*Luke & Judy Phelan*)

### **Monday**

#### **7:30 a.m.**

#### **December 16, 2019**

† Brunell Dupuis (*The Family*)

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

### **Tuesday**

#### **7:30 a.m.**

#### **December 17, 2019**

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

Betty Azzarelli (*Pat Lovell Family*)

† Bill Powers (*Richard & Chris Nichols*)

† Mary Piper (*JP2 Family*)

### **Wednesday**

#### **7:30 a.m.**

#### **December 18, 2019**

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

† Richard Ortman (*LaVonne Linneman*)

† Veronica Carlson (*Kathy & Troy*)

### **Thursday**

#### **7:30 a.m.**

#### **December 19, 2019**

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

Gerard Hilinski (*Bernice Bukosky*)

### **Friday**

#### **7:30 a.m.**

#### **December 20, 2019**

† Marilyn Block (*LaVonne Linneman*)

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

### **Saturday**

#### **8:00 a.m.**

#### **December 21, 2019**

† Mark Ryan (*JP2 Family*)

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

† Joyce Mayo (*Cheryl Walsh*)

† Animas del Purgatorio (*Maria Toledo*)

† Carmen Silva Sotelo (*Maria Mendez*)

† Rafaela Santoyo Gomez (*Alma Vazquez*)

### **Sunday**

#### **8:00 a.m.**

#### **December 22, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Advent**

For All the People of St. John Paul II

† Don Glenzinski (*McGrath Family*)

† Elnora Chandler (*Deacon David Marlowe*)

† Richard Ortman (*Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Hortsman*)

† Joseph & Patricia Ryan (*JP2 Family*)

† Isabel Carmona (*Dolores Pizano*)

† LaVern Morrical (*Les & Donna Morrical*)

# SACRAMENTS

## Baptism:

Call the parish office for Pre-Baptismal requirements and scheduling. Call 815-933-7683 and talk to Donna Worth

## Weddings:

Marriage Preparation begins at least 6 months in advance. Call the parish office for date confirmation before finalizing other wedding plans.

## 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  
Maria Flores

### Bodas:

La preparación comienza seis meses antes. Llame a la oficina parroquial para confirmar la fecha antes de finalizar otros planes de su boda.

## DAILY MASS READINGS

### Monday, December 16

Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a

Matthew 21:23-27

### Tuesday, December 17

Genesis 49:2, 8-10

Matthew 1:1-17

### Wednesday, December 18

Jeremiah 23:5-8

Matthew 1:18-25

### Thursday, December 19

Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a

Luke 1:5-25

### Friday, December 20

Isaiah 7:10-14

Luke 1:26-38

### Saturday, December 21

Song of Songs 2:8-14

Luke 1:39-45

### Sunday, December 22 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

Isaiah 7:10-14

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-24



The candle in the sanctuary is burning for  
**Maria del Carmen Hernandez Cervano**

Requested by The Clodi Family

## PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Azzarelli, Barb	Beedle, Jim	Boswell, Cheryl
Blanchette, Birdie	Borem, Yvonne	Call, Kathy
Burnett, Mack	Butler, Mike	Dechenne, Kathy
Clocksin, Mary	Crane, Pat	Dubuque, Maureen
Delaney, Ethel	Diaz, Ruby	Licon, Arthur
Emling, Kenneth	Goselin, Eula Mae	
LaPierre, Jonette	Lenzi, Kathy	Papineau, Bruno
Kreitzer, Gabriel	Martinez, Sylvia	Robinson, Craig
Mendez, Gloria	Mosby, Yair Nunez	Sprimont, Carol
Murphy, Mary Lou	Pagono, Agnes	Wulffe, Matthew
Ramirez, Jose	Raut, Francis	
Saindon, Jim	Smith, Jackson	
Vaughn, Norma	Wulffe, Daniel	

\*\*\*\* 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!

## Homebound & Nursing Home Parishioners

**HOMEBOUND:** Bert White II, Bernadette Denault, Barbara Ciaccio, Rose Kaminsky, Therese Gleeson, Florian & Thrasilla Janczak, Rosemary Dicarlo, John Surprenant

**ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:** Rosalyn Szymborski

**CITADEL CARE CENTER:** Rose Mary Ciaccio

**LUTHER PLACE:** Leola Mulvihill

**OUR LADY OF ANGELS:**

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY:** Frank Hart

**PRESENCE HERITAGE Lodge:** Dick Keethers, Theresa Fisher, John Hagan, Therese Falkenhan

**Village:** Virginia Gaines

**RIVER NORTH:** Ted Wheeler

**BICKFORD:** Bruno Papineau, Carol Sprimont

**RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:**

**Miller:**

**Butterfield Court:** Dorothy Kanosky, Rita Morris, Muffy Stamper, Colette Cheffer

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## Prayer Line Information

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

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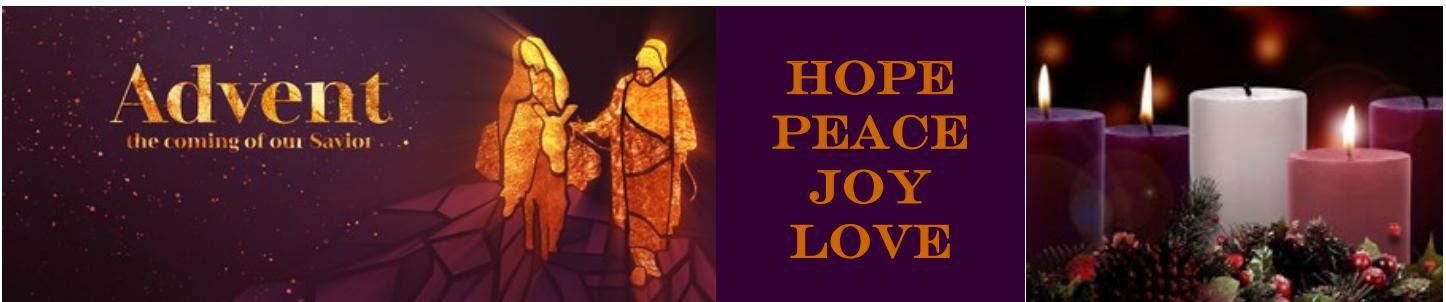
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DAY/MONTH	TIME	LOCATION	LITURGY/ACTIVITY
Sat., Dec. 15 to Sun., Dec. 23	7:00 pm-8:00 pm	JP2 Family Center	<b>Posada</b>
Saturday, December 21	9:00 am	JP2 Various Rooms	<b>Advent Confessions: English &amp; Spanish</b>
Saturday, December 21	3:00 pm	JP2 Settles Center	<b>Sensory Friendly Santa</b>
Sunday, December 22	7:00 pm	JP2 Church	<b>The Bible Story of Christmas Christmas Concert</b>

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING**

**Monday, December 23  
1:00 pm**

All are welcome to come and help on any of these days.

Meet in the church.



**CALLING ALL CHILDREN ages 6-16!!**

You are invited to help **make a joyful noise to the Lord** by singing in the Youth Choir. **3pm Mass on Christmas Eve**

There will be **one more practice** on **Saturday, December 21st at 10:00 am**

This is your chance to welcome baby Jesus with songs of joy!



**ADVENT PREPARATION !! ALL ARE WELCOME**

Faith Formation Program Prayer Night Noche de Oración del Programa de Formación en la Fe

December 17/18: 6:15 pm (Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration)  
17 y 18 de diciembre a las 6:15 pm (Reconciliación y Adoración)

Posada and reception follows in the GYM/Settle Center. Bring something to share if you can.

Faith Formation Parents and Parishioners are invited to join the children for Eucharistic Adoration in the church.

Seguidos por Posada y Recepción en el gimnasio/Settles Center. Trae algo para compartir, si te es posible.

Se les pide amablemente a los padres de Formación en la Fe que se unan a sus hijos para la Adoración Eucarística en la iglesia.



2019 CCW Christmas Party



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**\$12 EACH OR 3/\$30      \$12 c/u o 3/\$30**

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SE PUEDEN COMPRAR EN LA OFICINA DE LA PARROQUIA**

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**Para mas información comunicarse con  
Antonio Elvir 815-304-9941**

## 2020 JPII INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT

### Registrations/Practice

Saturday, January:  
11th , 18th & 25th  
6-9 PM

### Registraciones/Prácticas

Sábado, 11, 18 y 25 de  
Enero  
6-9 PM

### Matches

Saturday, February  
1st, 8th, 15th & 29  
6-9 PM

### Partidos

Los Sábados,  
1, 8, 15, 22 & 29  
de Febrero 6-9 PM

### Categories:

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12-15 years old.

### Categorías:

Niñas & Niños  
de 8-11 años  
de 12-15 años.

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Los Lunes  
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**Lisieux Outreach Center**  
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# DISCIPLESHIP AND EVANGELIZATION

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## Adult Faith Formation Week of December 9-14

<b>Monday, December 16 Conference Rm.</b>	<b>6:30 to 8:00 pm</b>
Men's Faith Sharing - Open to all Adult men	
<b>Tuesday, December 17 Church</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>
Fatima Rosary	
<b>Tuesday, December 17 Conf. Rm.</b>	<b>10:00 am &amp; 7:00 pm</b>
Living Word Bible Study	
<b>Wednesday, December 18 Conference Rm.</b>	<b>NO GIFT</b>
GIFT: Sessions will resume on January 8	

For Bible Study Info call: Jacob Levy: 815-474-2312  
 For GIFT & Words of Wisdom Info call: Laurie Mau: 815-933-8859

## December 15, 2019



"Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope for our passage from this life into eternal life."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
*"Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"*

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Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB  
*"Consideraciones católicas para nuestra partida a la otra vida"*

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**St. John Paul II West**  
 8:00 am – 6:00 pm First Friday of the month/  
 Primer viernes del mes

1er Sábado del mes/First Saturday of the month  
 8:00 pm – 5:00 am Adoración Nocturna/  
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### Prepare Your Home... Prepare Your Heart Inter-Parish Advent Series 2019

You are welcome at all sites! Choose what works for you!

**St. Anne Parish:** Tuesday, December 17 10-11am  
 in the Parish Hall

**St. Patrick Parish:** Tuesday, December 17 7-8pm  
 at the Convent

**Maternity BVM:** Thursday, December 19 10-11am  
 in the Parish Center

Participants in this will use the Advent issue of "The Word Among Us", which will be provided. The sessions will be facilitated by Sister Theresa Galvin, CND.

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# OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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<b>Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry:</b>	Nancy Godin	815-933-7683 Ext. 417	
<b>Lisieux Pastoral Center Director:</b>	Kathy Wade	815-939-2913	
<b>Lisieux Learning Link:</b>	Bonnie Householter	815-325-8528	
<b>Hearts of Hope Youth Group:</b>	Michelle & Ken Barrie	815-382-8130	
<b>Family Bridges:</b>	Silvia Barajas		

## Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

Week of December 16-20

Call 928-6093 for other hours and days that the clinic is open.



## Blood Pressure Screening

Sunday, December 15

After the 8:00 am mass,  
between 10:30-11:30 am, and after the 1:00 pm mass

## CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

Wednesday, December 25

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Free to the community but you must call Lisieux to make reservations by December 23  
**815-939-2913**

**Lisieux Outreach Center**  
341 N. St. Joseph Ave.  
Kankakee



**Sensory Friendly Santa**  
Saturday, December 21 3-6pm  
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## Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry

341 N. St. Joseph Ave. Kankakee

Friday, December 20  
9:00 am to 11:45 am



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For additional food resources, visit [www.SolveHungerToday.org/GetHelp](http://www.SolveHungerToday.org/GetHelp)

**DATE: Friday, December 20**

**LOCATION: St. Joseph Parish Ministry Center  
211 N. Center Ave., Bradley**

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### Sunday Offering/Ofrenda del Domingo December 8, 2019

**\$14,665**

(233 Envelopes)

Online Giving: \$1,120 (included in above)

Immaculate Conception: \$1,740

Second Collection: Retired Religious Fund \$2,639.09

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**

Our goal each week to cover our expenses is:

Nuestra Meta por Semana para cubrir los gastos es de:

**\$12,855.00**

## THIS WEEK AT JP2

### Monday, December 16

- 12:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6:30pm Fishers of Men- Mens Prayer Group
- 7:00pm Charismatic Prayer Group en Espanol

### Tuesday, December 17

- 10:00am Fatima Rosary
- 11:00am Living Word Bible Study
- 6:15pm FFP Prayer Night/Advent Reconciliation
- 7:00pm Living Word Bible Study
- 7:00pm Posada

### Wednesday, December 18

- 10:00 am Lord Teach Me To Pray
- 6:15pm FFP Prayer Night/Advent Reconciliation
- 6:30pm NO GIFT-Growing in Faith Together
- 7:00pm Posada

### Thursday, December 19

- 7:00pm Posada

### Friday, December 20

- 9:00am Food Pantry-East Campus
- 9:30am Prayer Partners @ Lisieux
- 9:30am Clothing Closet @ Lisieux
- 6:00pm 12 Step Program @ Lisieux
- 7:00pm Posada

### Saturday, December 21

- 9:00am Advent Confessions
- 9:00am Hour of Power Prayer time
- 10:00am Children's Choir Practice
- 3:00pm Sensory Friendly Santa
- 7:00pm Posada

### Sunday, December 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 9:00am Pescador de Hombres Bible Study (Men)
- 10:30am NO RCIA
- 11:00am RICA (En Espanol)
- 7:00pm The Bible Story of Christmas Concert
- 7:00pm Posada

Please Note: Times/Events subject to change as needed.

Visit our website at [jp2kankakee.org](http://jp2kankakee.org) for the full calendar.

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|---------|---|
| Dec. 31 | 6:00pm Vigil Mass Bilingual Mass                          |
| Jan. 1  | 6:00pm Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God<br>Bilingual Mass |

## STAY CONNECTED TO JP2 Parish

Check out these spots to find out the who, what, when or where, or for contact information.

**Weekly Bulletin:** This can be your main source to find out the details that you hear in the announcements, or see on any of the media links. The bulletin is put on the website and Facebook page each week. It also contains the phone # & extensions for the pastor, office and support staff.

### Parish Media Links

Website: [jp2kankakee.org](http://jp2kankakee.org)

By accessing the website you can also view the bulletin, the church calendar of events, the liturgy schedule and more.

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Dec. 14/15 & Dec. 21/22

4:30 PM, 8:00, 9:30, AND 11:30 AM

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Please consider St. John Paul II when you make a gift at year-end in support of your parish, not only will you help us meet our goals, but you can also receive important tax benefits. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

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