

# 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.

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. John Paul II  
907 S. 9th Ave., Kankakee, Illinois 60901

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)  
3:00 pm (Latin)  
5:00 pm

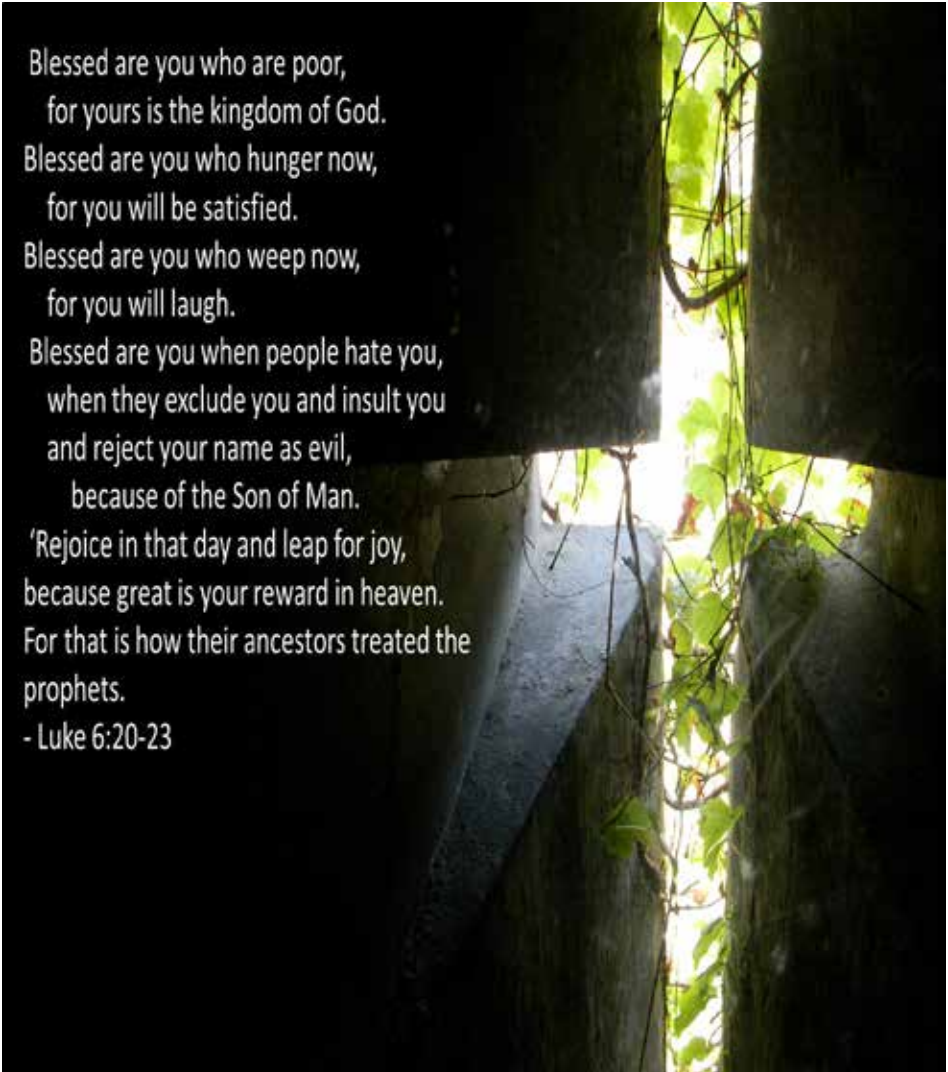
## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY  
7:30 am  
Martes/Tuesday  
6:00 pm (Español)  
SATURDAY  
8:00 am  
Wednesday/Friday 12:00 PM Latin Mass

## CONFESSIONS

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

## The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 13, 2022



Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.  
Blessed are you who hunger now,  
for you will be satisfied.  
Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.  
Blessed are you when people hate you,  
when they exclude you and insult you  
and reject your name as evil,  
because of the Son of Man.  
'Rejoice in that day and leap for joy,  
because great is your reward in heaven.  
For that is how their ancestors treated the  
prophets.  
- Luke 6:20-23

**"Bringing Jesus to Everyone and Everyone to Jesus"**

## A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

## UNA NOTA DEL PÁRROCO

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In our first reading this Sunday, the prophet Jeremiah speaks of trusting in God as the source of one's blessedness. In Jeremiah 17:5-8, he says:

Thus says the Lord: Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh, whose heart turns away from the Lord. He is like a barren bush in the desert that enjoys no change of season, but stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth. Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord. He is like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream: it fears not the heat when it comes; its leaves stay green; in the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit.

When we place our hope in God and trust in the One who is the Alpha and the Omega, the creator of the universe and the conqueror of sin and death, then we will be able to persevere with patience and joy. Our trust will bear the fruit of patience and joy when we are rooted in Christ, when we are united to Christ and find strength by drinking in His grace. This requires a closeness to Christ, particularly through prayer and the sacraments. Let us stay close to our Lord and trust in Him. If we do not, it is good to ask oneself what is keeping one from trusting in God. St. Teresa of Avila said, "Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you. All things are passing away: God never changes. Patience obtains all things. Whoever has God lacks nothing; God alone suffices." Let us stay close to the Lord and trust in Him always. He is our stronghold, our peace, and our salvation.

Know of my continued prayers for you. Let us continue to keep one another in prayer.

In Christ,  
Fr. Matt



Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:

En nuestra primera lectura de hoy, el profeta Jeremías habla de confiar en Dios como la fuente de nuestra propia bendición. En Jeremías 17: 5-8, él dice:

Esto dice el Señor: Maldito el que confía en otro hombre, el que busca su fuerza en la carne, cuyo corazón se aleja del Señor. Es como un arbusto estéril en el desierto que no goza de ningún cambio de estación, sino que se encuentra en un desierto de lava, una tierra salada y vacía. Dichoso el que confía en el Señor, cuya esperanza es el Señor. Es como un árbol plantado junto a las aguas que extiende sus raíces hasta la corriente: no teme el calor cuando llega; sus hojas permanecen verdes; en el año de la sequía no muestra angustia, sino que sigue dando frutos.

Quando ponemos nuestra esperanza en Dios y confiamos en aquel que es el Alfa y la Omega, el creador del universo y el vencedor del pecado y la muerte, entonces podremos perseverar con paciencia y alegría. Nuestra confianza dará los frutos de la paciencia y el gozo cuando estemos enraizados en Cristo, cuando estemos unidos a Cristo y encontremos la fuerza bebiendo de Su gracia. Esto requiere una cercanía con Cristo, particularmente a través de la oración y los sacramentos. Permanezcamos cerca de nuestro Señor y confiemos en Él. Si no lo hacemos, preguntémonos qué es lo que nos impide confiar en Dios. Santa Teresa de Ávila escribió: "Nada te turbe, nada te espante. Todo se pasa: Dios no se muda. La paciencia todo lo alcanza; quien a Dios tiene nada le falta: sólo Dios basta." Permanezcamos cerca del Señor y siempre confiemos en Él. Él es nuestra fortaleza, nuestra paz y nuestra salvación.

Estoy rezando por ustedes. Mantengámonos unos a otros en oración.

En Cristo,  
Padre Mateo

### Sunday Vespers & Benediction

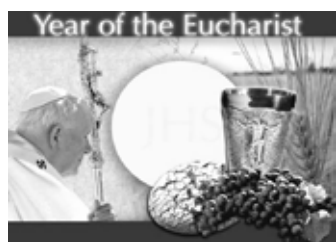
Every Sunday, 6:30pm – 6:50pm

Vespers (Evening Prayer) consists of praying with psalms and scripture. It ends with Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.

### Year of the Eucharist Talk

6:50pm-7:20pm

During our parish's Year of the Eucharist (June 1, 2021-May 31, 2022), vespers is followed by a brief talk on the Eucharist, the Mass, and other rituals and devotions of our Catholic Faith.



**Topic this Week: February 13  
Indulgences**



**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

**Gabriel Mendez**

**Sunday Offering/Ofrenda del Domingo**  
**February 6, 2021**

**\$ 10,654.00**  
**(179 Envelopes)**  
**(Includes \$1,723 from Online Giving added above)**

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:**  
**\$10,770.00**

**THANK YOU GRACIAS**

**THIS WEEK AT JP2**

**Monday, February 14**

12:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00pm Charismatic Group

**Tuesday, February 15**

10:00am Fatima Rosary  
11:00am Living Word Bible Study  
5:00pm Confessions  
6:00pm FFP Classes  
7:00pm Living Word Bible Study  
7:30pm RCIA

**Wednesday, February 16**

11:00am Lord Teach Me To Pray  
6:00pm FFP Classes  
6:00pm Baptism Class (English)

**Thursday, February 17**

5:00pm Confessions  
6:30pm GIFT-Growing in Faith Together  
7:00pm Choir Practice

**Friday, February 18**

9:00am Food Pantry-East Campus  
9:00am Clothing Closet @ Lisieux  
10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry  
6:00pm 12 Step Program @ Lisieux

**Saturday, February 19**

3:30pm Confessions

**Sunday, February 20**

9:00am Pescador de Hombres Bible Study (Men)  
11:30am Mentor Sunday Mass/Gathering  
2:00pm CCW Winter Bunco  
6:30pm Year of the Eucharist Vespers/Teaching

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Mar. 1 Night Prayer/Burying of the Alleluia  
Mar. 2 Ash Wednesday  
Mar. 6 Dinner With 12 New Friends  
Mar. 12 FFP Bingo Night  
Mar. 13 Knights of Columbus Blood Drive  
Mar. 13 CCW Baby Shower  
Mar. 20 Hearts of Hope Led Lenten Reconciliation

**Please Note: Times/Events subject to change as needed.**  
**Visit our website at [jp2kankakee.org](http://jp2kankakee.org) to**  
**view the most current calendar.**

**Homebound & Nursing Home Parishioners**

**HOMEBOUND:** Barbara Ciaccio, Rose Kaminsky, Rosemary Dicarolo, Bob Granger

**ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:** Rosalyn Szymborski

**LUTHER PLACE:** Leola Mulvihill, Thrasilla Janczak

**PRESENCE HERITAGE Lodge:** Dick Keethers, John Hagan  
**Village:**

**BICKFORD:** Lavonne Linneman

**RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:**

**Miller Rehab. Center:** Rita Morris

**Butterfield Court:** Muffy Stamper, Colette Cheffer

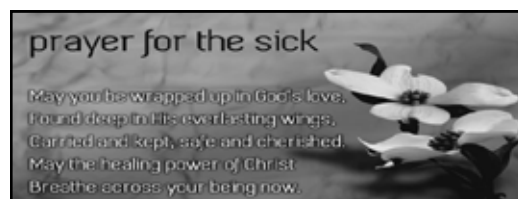
**Senior Care:** Ardel Norgaard, David Africano

**Westwood Oaks:** Eileen Dupuis

**Manteno Veterans Home:**



Call the  
Parish Office to  
request your  
Tax Statement  
for  
donations made to the  
parish in 2021.



**prayer for the sick**

May you be wrapped up in God's love,  
found deep in His everlasting wings,  
carried and kept, safe and cherished.  
May the healing power of Christ  
Breathe across your being now.

**PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK**

Barrett, Rita, Beedle, Jim, Bialas, Margaret, Blue, Vicki,  
Boswell, Cheryl, Brandon, Linda, Burson, Kelli, Butler, Mike,  
Call, Kathy, Clocksin, Bill, Clocksin, Mary, Crane, Pat,  
Dechenne, Kathy, Dominguez, Didimo Antonio, Dytkiewicz, Susan,  
Emling, Kenneth, Goselin, Eula Mae, Griffiths, Kathy,  
LaPierre, Jonette, LaRoche, Jackie, Lenzi, Robert, Licon, Arthur,  
Martinez, Sylvia, Mendez, Gloria, Norgaard, Ardelle,  
Pagano, Agnes, Paquette, Donna, Raut, Francis, Robinson, Craig,  
Saindon, Jim, Salazar, Magdalena, Schultz, Steve, Smith, Jackson,  
Talamantes, Ron, Torres, Teresa, Turner, Debbie, Wulffe, Daniel,  
Wulffe, Matthew, Vazquez, Josefina

\*\*\* 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](mailto:frmatt@jp2kankakee.org)

### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Roy Jacob, CMI, ext. 403  
[frroy@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:frroy@jp2kankakee.org)

### In Residence

Rev. John Horan ext. 412  
[frhoran@jp2kankakee.org](mailto: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**

### Business Manager :

Kathy Griffiths ext. 406 [kgriffiths@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:kgriffiths@jp2kankakee.org)

### Pastoral Secretary/Bulletin Editor:

Kathy Dummer ext. 408  
[kdummer@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:kdummer@jp2kankakee.org)

Please email bulletin requests to the above address  
 no later than the previous Friday before the weekend  
 requested.

### Liturgy Associate :

Lori Ciaccio ext. 405 [lcaccio@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:lcaccio@jp2kankakee.org)

### Director del Ministerio Hispano:

Alex Quezada ext. 404 [aquezada@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:aquezada@jp2kankakee.org)

### Receptionists:

Silvia Barajas ext. 410 [sbarajas@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:sbarajas@jp2kankakee.org)

Silvia Esparza ext. 409 [SEsparza@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:SEsparza@jp2kankakee.org)

Sacramental Recording Secretary

### Faith Formation Office: 815-932-7911

Sister Evangeline [srevangeline@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:srevangeline@jp2kankakee.org)

### Music Director :

Christopher Wilcox [cwilcox@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:cwilcox@jp2kankakee.org)

**Coros Hispanos:** Caitlyn Segura

### Building & Grounds:

Rende Langlois [ontop60@msn.com](mailto:ontop60@msn.com)  
 815-693-0253

### Parish Media Links

#### Website:

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



#### Facebook

St John Paul II  
 Kankakee

**YouTube:** St. John Paul II Kankakee

### Parish Council Members

Julie Busken Chairperson Cathy Langlois-Co-Chair

Deb Groth-Secretary

Marc Nichols

Gabriel Mendez

Maria Pizano-Calderon

Bob Kerness

### Finance Council Members

Mark O'Connor- President Cheryl Walsh-Secretary

Sonda Clocksin

Amy Anderson

Mickey Kreissler

Alicia Saldivar

Tom Martin



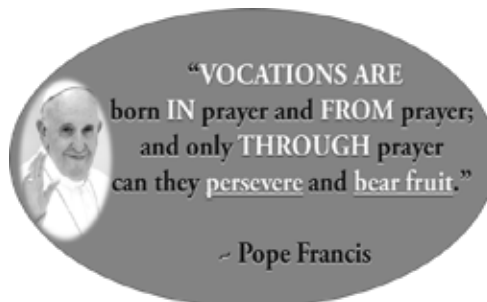
## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 13, 2022

Jeremiah 17:5-8 1 Corinthians 5:12 Luke 6:7, 20-26

### Believing Justice and Mercy

In Luke's Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks to more than just his own people. We hear four Blesseds and four related woes. He first calls all those in the crowd, and now calls us to rejoice and leap for joy at the blessed activities dealing with justice and mercy. The implication: do the blessed; avoid the woes,

- How will I be just in dealing with others all week long?
- How will I be merciful to everyone just as God is merciful?
- What mercy work will I do? It will be \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.



### VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate  
 and religious life especially in the Diocese of Joliet.

**Feb. 14** Sr. Dorothy Glaister, Sr. Loretta Glanz,  
 Sr. Marilyn Llanes OP

**Feb. 15** Fr. Santiago Corona

**Feb. 16** Fr. Mark Cote

**Feb. 17** Sr. Maryann Dosen, Sr. Mary Terese Giblin, Sr. M. Paula  
 Nasenbeny SSFCR

**Feb. 18** Sr. Mary Francis Werner, Sr. Marjorie Westendorf  
 SSFCR

**Feb. 19** Fr. Andrew Lewandowski C.R.

**Feb. 20** Sr. Dolores Blahaus, Sr. Victoria DiBrizzi, Sr. Mary Funge  
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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Mon. Feb. 14 Sts. Cyril and Methodius

James 1:1-11

Mark 8:11-13

### Tues. Feb. 15

James 1:12-18

Mark 8:14-21

### Weds. Feb. 16

James 1:19-27

Mark 8:22-26

### Thurs. Feb. 17

James 2:1-9

Mark 8:27-33

### Fri. Feb. 18

James 2:14-24, 26

Mark 8:34-9:1

### Sat. Feb. 19

James 3:1-10

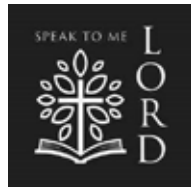
Mark 9:2-13

### Sun. Feb. 20 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

1 Corinthians 15: 45-49

Luke 6:27-38



## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism:

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

### 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

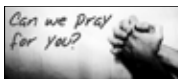
Llame a la oficina parroquial por lo menos dos meses antes, para curso pre-bautismal y requisitos. Llame 815-933-7683.

### Bodas:

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



The candle in the sanctuary is burning  
for  
Mary Jane Stueck  
By  
Skiip & Rita Kanosky



### Prayer Line Information

For your prayer requests, please call or email the number/address below. Thank You

Ann Wheeler 815-932-7938

Barb Jepson Wbjepson69@gmail.com

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday

8:00 a.m.

4:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

### Sunday

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

### Monday

7:30 a.m.

### Tuesday

7:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

7:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

### Thursday

7:30 a.m.

### Friday

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### February 12, 2022

† Leroy Dandurand (Cheryl Heldt)

† Kenny Shenk (Janice Shenk)

† Dennis Lottinville (Janice Shenk)

† George Faber (Brenda Albers)

### February 13, 2022

† Charles "Bud" Birr (Virginia Dominick)

† Bev Stukenborg (Dave & Brenda Lystilla)

† Paul Marzcek (Family)

† Luis Francisco LLanos (Alicia Gomez)

† Elvira Piña & Rodolfo Canales (Lucy Canales)

Jairo Cabrales (Elsa Martinez)

Pat Alcorn (Cathy Glidewell)

For All the People of St. John Paul II

### February 14, 2022

† Ethel Delaney (Barb Jepson)

### February 15, 2022

† Jan DiPietra (Ron & Pat Dressler)

† Rodolfo Canales & Elvira Piña (Lucy Canales)

### February 16, 2022

For The Intentions of the Priest

† Souls in Purgatory (Martha Aune)

### February 17, 2022

For The Intentions of the Priest

### February 18, 2022

† Earle Uribe (Desiree & Doris)

Bishop Hickey (Martha Aune)

### February 19, 2022

† Leander Michlig (Family)

† Robin Ahramovich (Friends & Family)

† Anthony Julian Rodriguez-Lopez (Heidy & Tony Rodriguez)

### February 20, 2022

† Ken Funk (Family)

† Florence Michau (Bailas Family)

† Jan DiPietra (Ron & Pat Dressler)

Jeff Ramos (Ramos Family)

For All of the FFP Confirmation Students

For All The People of St. John Paul II

Contemplative Orders (Martha Aune)

For the Intentions of the Priest



**St. John Paul II Council of Catholic Women**  
**Invite you to**  
**A FUN AFTERNOON OF A**  
**VERY SIMPLE DICE GAME CALLED**  
**BUNCO**



**Sunday, February 20**  
**2:00 pm**

**Settles Center**

Refreshments will be served  
 Men and Women are invited

*Burying the ALLELUIA for Lent*



*Tuesday, March 1 at 8:00 pm,*  
*beginning with Night Prayer.*

During the season of Lent, the declaration of "Alleluia" is omitted from all liturgies, only to re-emerge at Easter, when the resurrection is proclaimed. Many congregations "bury the Alleluia" as a symbolic gesture at the beginning of Lent, marking the solemnity of the season about to begin.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

TURN AWAY FROM SIN AND BE FAITHFUL TO THE GOSPEL

**Ash Wednesday**  
**Wednesday, March 2, 2022**  
 (Ashes will be distributed at all of these times)

6:30 am	Liturgy of the Word
7:00 am	English Mass
12:00 pm	Latin Mass
4:30 pm	Bilingual Mass
6:15 & 6:45 pm	FFP Children/Liturgy of the Word
7:30 pm	Bilingual Mass

**Fasting and Abstinence**

*When do I ...?*

**Fast and Abstain:**  
 Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

**Abstain:**

All Fridays during Lent

*Who has to ...?*

**Fast:** Catholics who are 18 years of age, but not yet 59, are obliged

**Abstain:** observed by all Catholics  
 14 years-old and older

*What is ...?*

**Fast:** eating one full meal, as well as two small meals that together are not equal to a full meal

**Abstinence:** refrain from eating meat

Note: Persons that are exempt from fasting include: the physically or mentally ill, individuals with chronic illness, and those pregnant or nursing.



*"Friendship is the greatest pre-condition to Evangelization."*

*Fr. Burke Masters*

**Dinner with Twelve New Friends IS BACK!!**  
**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
**Sunday, March 6**

The annual Lenten activity is back this year after a 2 year break due to the pandemic!!

The evening is based on Jesus sharing a meal with the 12 Apostles and the idea is to share a meal and discussion with people that you don't really know that well.

The hope is that at the end of the night you will know some of your fellow parishioners in a deeper way through the fun questions and sharing time.

A host brings the main dish, and everyone else brings the rest of the food.

Sign up on the board at the entrance of the church.

*"While they were eating, Jesus took some bread and after a blessing He broke it and gave it to the disciples..."*

<b>Liturgical Schedule</b>	<b>Saturday</b> February 19 4:30 pm	<b>Saturday</b> February 19 6:00 pm Español	<b>Sunday</b> February 20 8:00 am	<b>Sunday</b> February 20 9:30 am	<b>Sunday</b> February 20 11:30 am Mentor Sunday	<b>Sunday</b> February 20 1:00 pm	<b>Sunday</b> February 20 5:00 pm
<b>Lector</b>	Cindy McBarnes	Marcela Andrade	Ann Wheeler	Rende Langlois	Laura Shellie	Claudia Avila	Jacob Levy
<b>Ushers Ujieres</b>	Rich McBarnes Ron Dressler S/U Mary Causer	Jennifer Sanchez Norma Sanchez Eloisa Ayala Jose Ayala	Bob Kerness Cheryl/Ben Bilderback	John Lilienthal Kerri Lilienthal Deb Groth W-J. Raspolich	Fernandez Family	Israel Lorenzo Maricela Lorenzo Maria Calderon Veronica Calvillo	Janice Shenk
<b>Disinfecting Limpieza</b>	<b>Not Needed</b>	Eloisa Ayala Jose Ayala	<b>Not Needed</b>	<b>Not Needed</b>	Fernandez Family	<b>Not Needed</b>	<b>Not Needed</b>

**Weekday Ministers/Ministros de la Semana and Linen Cleaning Schedule**  
 February 14-19: Daily Mass: Lector: Desiree Grant Sacristan: Mickey Kreissler  
 February 21-26: Daily Mass: Lector: Teresa Mahoney Sacristan: Sharon Jackson  
**Martes Noche Misa Española:**  
 February 15: Lector: Serafin Lopez Sacristan: Daniel Varela, Emma Elvir  
 February 22: Lector: Teresa Lopez Sacristan: Flor Rojas  
**Linens:** February 13/20: Marilyn McDermott February 27/March 6: Peggy Schule



Liturgy Needs: Saturday, 4:30 pm mass Lectors and Ushers for the Sunday, 5:00 pm mass.  
 Please contact Lori Ciaccio, 815-933-7683, ext. 405, if you would like to be added as an Usher, or Lector at this time.

**Vianney Visit**  
 Saint John Vianney College Seminary  
**February 17-19, 2022**  
 Men ages 16—24  
 Register at [www.vocations.com](http://www.vocations.com)  
**Are you Hearing God's Call?**  
 Visit a Seminary  
 MEN, AGES 16 - 24 (HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES THROUGH COLLEGE), WILL VISIT OUR JOLIET SEMINARIANS ATTENDING ST. VIANNEY COLLEGE SEMINARY & SPEND A FEW DAYS ON CAMPUS TO SEE WHAT COLLEGE SEMINARY LIFE IS ALL ABOUT.  
 THERE IS NO COST & TRANSPORTATION IS PROVIDED.



Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our parishes to hear the call to serve in the Diocese of Joliet.  
 Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence.  
 Open the hearts of many. Raise up faithful servants of the Gospel-dedicated, holy priests, sisters, brothers and deacons, who will spend themselves for your people and their needs.  
 Bless all of our married couples with a rich faith and children that desire to serve you.  
 Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith.  
 We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February**

**God Bless the Religious Sisters in our parish and community:**  
 Missionary Sisters of the Holy Family  
 Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary  
 Congregation of Notre Dame

**For religious sisters and consecrated women**  
 We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women, thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

# FAITH FORMATION

## 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

**GIFT**  
growing in faith together

Thursday, February 17  
6:30 PM Family Center

We will continue with  
The Chosen  
Season 2 Episode 3  
Questions? Contact Laurie Mau  
815-933-8859



Remaining Book Club Dates for 2022  
March 11, April 8, May 13

Mar. 11-

- Life of the Beloved
- Can You Drink This Cup both by Henri Nouwen

6 PM  
JP2 Family Center  
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## Azzarelli Outreach Clinic Clinica Medica Semana de febrero 14-18

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- Invertir en prevención
- Crear un ambiente de confianza con una población en crecimiento
- Integrando a las familias en una comunidad saludable

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Azzarelli Outreach Clinic:	Judy Busato/Kathy Wade	815-928-6093	azzarellclinic@yahoo.com
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## Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic Week of February 14-18

PLEASE LISTEN TO THE ENTIRE MESSAGE FOR INFORMATION!  
Call 928-6093  
For the days that the clinic is open.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Azzarelli Clinic is looking for Clerical and RN Volunteers. Please contact Judy Busato at 630-390-9820

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Make a joyful noise  
unto the Lord  
Psalm 100:1

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