

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

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 (Outside, weather permitting)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

7:30 am

Martes/Tuesday

6:00 pm (Español)

SATURDAY

8:00 am

CONFESIONS

Conference Room

Saturday, 2-4

Thursday, 4-6

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 6, 2020



"You shall LOVE your neighbor as yourself." LOVE does no evil to the neighbor; hence, LOVE is the fulfillment of the law.

"AMARÁS a tu prójimo como a ti mismo ". EL AMOR no hace mal al prójimo; por lo tanto, EL AMOR es el cumplimiento de la ley.

"Bringing Jesus to Everyone and Everyone to Jesus!"

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

UNA NOTA DEL PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The Church celebrates three birthdays during the year: the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Christmas) on December 25th, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist on June 24th, and the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 8th. As we celebrate the Blessed Mother's birthday this Tuesday, the Church's prayers help us to focus and remember what a great gift we have in our Lady. The entrance antiphon says, "Let us celebrate with joy the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, for from her arose the sun of justice, Christ our God." The collect, which is the Church's prayer to God the Father, says, "Impart to your servants, we pray, O Lord, the gift of heavenly grace, that the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin may bring deeper peace to those for whom the birth of her Son was the dawning of salvation." In the prayer after communion, the Blessed Mother's Nativity is described as "the hope and the daybreak of salvation for all the world." The image repeatedly used is that of daybreak. God has chosen the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the one who would bring to us Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the sun of justice. By fulfilling the words of the prophet Isaiah, "Behold, the Virgin will bear a son, who will save his people from their sins," the Blessed Mother brings to us Jesus Christ, who is our light and our salvation. So let us stay close to our Lady. God had a special plan for her. She was the one whom God chose to bring to this world the Author of all life, Jesus Christ. Mary brings Jesus to us. The more we spend time with the Blessed Mother, the closer we will be to her Son. What a beautiful and radiant mother we have. Let us remember to go to Mary each day, asking for her prayers. She leads us to Christ and prays for us. The rosary is a wondrous devotion, and the Memorare is a powerful prayer. May we continue to stay close to the Blessed Mother who keeps us close to our Lord.

Speaking of being close to our Lord, over the last couple of months, I have preached about the sacraments as encounters with the Lord, focusing on baptism, eucharist, and penance. I would also like to remind you that if you or someone you know is need of the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, please feel free to contact us. The sacrament brings with it much consolation and grace during a difficult time, and so please do not hesitate to call.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

La Iglesia celebra tres cumpleaños durante el año: la Natividad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo (Navidad) el 25 de diciembre, la Natividad de San Juan Bautista el 24 de junio y la Natividad de la Santísima Virgen María, el 8 de septiembre. Mientras celebramos el cumpleaños de la Santísima Madre este martes, las oraciones de la Iglesia nos ayudan a enfocarnos y recordar el gran regalo que tenemos en nuestra Señora. La antífona de entrada dice: "Celebremos con júbilo el nacimiento de la santísima Virgen María, de quien nació el sol de justicia, Cristo, nuestro Señor". La oración colecta, que es la oración de la Iglesia a Dios Padre, dice: "Concede, Señor, a tus siervos el don de la gracia celestial, para que, a cuantos hemos recibido las primicias de la salvación por la maternidad de la Virgen María, la fiesta de su nacimiento nos traiga un aumento de paz." La oración después de la comunión, describe a la Virgencita como la "esperanza y aurora de la salvación para el mundo entero". La imagen utilizada repetidamente es la del amanecer. Dios ha elegido a la Santísima Virgen María para que sea la que nos traiga a Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios y el sol de justicia. Al cumplir las palabras del profeta Isaías, "La Virgen dará a luz un hijo, que salvará al pueblo de sus pecados," la Santísima Madre nos trae a Jesucristo, quien es nuestra luz y salvación. Mantengámonos cerca de nuestra Señora. Dios tenía un plan especial para ella. Ella fue a quien Dios eligió para dar a luz al Autor de toda la vida, Jesucristo. María nos trae a Jesús. Entre más tiempo pasemos con la Santísima Madre, más cerca estaremos de su Hijo. Tenemos una madre tan hermosa y radiante. Vayamos a María todos los días, pidiéndole sus oraciones. Ella nos lleva a Cristo y reza por nosotros. El rosario es una devoción maravillosa y el Memorare es una oración poderosa. Que nos mantengamos cerca de la Santísima Madre que nos mantiene cerca de su Hijo.

Hablando de estar cerca de nuestro Señor, durante los últimos meses, he predicado acerca de los sacramentos como encuentros con el Señor, enfocando en el bautismo, la eucaristía y la penitencia. También me gustaría recordarles que si ustedes o alguien que conocen necesita el sacramento de la unción de los enfermos, no duden en contactarnos. El sacramento trae mucho consuelo y gracia durante un momento difícil. Por eso no duden en llamarlos.

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

Daniel Varela

Sunday Offering/Ofrenda del Domingo August 30, 2020

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

**Monthly School Subsidy to Bishop McNamara:
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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

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 JP2 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

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

Facebook: St. John Paul II Kankakee

Our Facebook page is filled with information on our many ministries, upcoming events, links to the bulletin, pictures of past events and inspirational messages. You can also watch the weekend masses live.



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Usher Schedule
Lista de Ujieres

Sept. 8 6:00 PM	Rosario Lira, Israel Lira
Sept. 12 4:30 PM	*Tracy Douglas, Bob Thrasher, Deb Groth
Sept. 12 6:00 PM	Maria Medina, Juanita Moreno
Sept. 13 8:00 AM	*Quezada Family, Bob Thrasher
Sept. 13 9:30 AM	* Kerri Lilenthal, John Lilenthal, Kathy Griffiths, Janice Shenk
Sept. 13 11:30 AM	*Fernandez Family
Sept. 13 1:00 PM	Erika Duarte, Manuel Duarte, Ricardo Esparza, María de Jesús Garcia
Sept. 13 5:00 PM	Outdoor Mass Bob Thrasher

Disinfecting Team Schedule
Equipo de Desinfección

Sept. 8 6:00 PM	Rosario Lira, Israel Lira
Sept. 12 4:30 PM	Tracy Douglas, Bob Thrasher
Sept. 12 6:00 PM	Maria Medina, Juanita Moreno
Sept. 13 8:00 AM	Quezada Family
Sept. 13 9:30 AM	Kathy Griffiths, Janice Shenk
Sept. 13 11:30 AM	Fernandez Family
Sept. 13 1:00 PM	Rosa Chávez, Daniel Varela
Sept. 13 5:00 PM	Outdoor Mass-NO Volunteers Needed

JP2 ONLINE
Programming Schedule

September 6 – September 13

Topics or times can change or be added when needed to accommodate the priests or presenters schedules.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sunday, September 6 & September 13

9:30 am: Mass in English

1:00 pm: Mass in Spanish

Monday, Sept. 7 thru Friday, Sept. 11

9:00 am: Labor Day Morning Mass (Sept. 7)

7:30 am: Morning Mass

* Breakfast with Jesus will follow morning mass when Fr. John is available.

Tuesday, September 8

10:00 am: NO Living Word Bible Study-1 Corinthians

1:00 pm: Estudio y reflexión de El Compendio del catecismo de la Iglesia católica

Wednesday, September 9

11:00 am: NO Living Word Bible Study-1 Corinthians

1:00 pm: Estudio y reflexión de El Compendio del catecismo de la Iglesia católica

2:00 pm: Old Testament Bible Study

Thursday, September 10

11:00 am: NO Living Word Bible Study-1 Corinthians

1:00 pm: Estudio y reflexión de El Compendio del catecismo de la Iglesia católica

Friday, September 11

11:00 am: NO Living Word Bible Study-1 Corinthians

1:00 pm: Estudio y reflexión de El Compendio del catecismo de la Iglesia católica

Saturday, September 12

8:00 am: Mass in English

VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR– For an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life and these in our diocese.

Sept. 7 Sr. Sandra Duma OSF, Sr. M. Dominic Dybel OSF, Sr. M. Margaret Anne Floto OSF, Sr. Mary Therese Forst OSF
Sept. 8 Dcns. Roger Novak, Thomas O'Connell, Michael O'Ryan, Anthony Osei, Mark Otten, Gregory Ouska
Sept. 9 Sr. M. Debrah Funssinn OSF, Sr. Mary Peter Gartman OSF
Sept. 10 Sr. Mary Elizabeth Imler OSF, Sr. Norma Janssen OSF, Sr. Olive Kabaguma OSF
Sept. 11 Sr. Karen Marie Lanigan OSF, Sr. Colleen Loehmer OSF, Sr. Theresa Diane Lopez OSF, Sr. Anna Clare Meyer OSF
Sept. 12 Fr. John Phan, Fr. Grzegorz Podwysocki



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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.



PARK AND PRAY ESTACIÓN E Y ORE

Come and spend some time before the Blessed

Sacrament. Located in a classroom facing Charles St. It is available for prayer time 24/7.

(Please stay in your vehicle)

Venga y pase tiempo ante el Santísimo Sacramento.

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Está disponible para tiempo de oración 24/7.

(Por favor, quédese en su vehículo)

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Alvarado, Gracie	Azzarelli, Barb	Beedle, Jim
Bialas, Margaret	Boswell, Cheryl	Brandon, Linda
Butler, Mike	Call, Kathy	Clocksin, Bill
Clocksin, Mary	Cortes, Elias	Crane, Pat
Dechenne, Kathy	Delaney, Ethel	Emling, Kenneth
Goselin, Eula Mae	Juarez, Maura	LaPierre, Jonette
Lenzi, Kathy	Licon, Arthur	Kreutzer, Gabriele
Martinez, Sylvia	Marsick, Virginia	Mendez, Gloria
Mosby, Yair Nuñez	Norgaard, Ardelle	Pagono, Agnes
Ramirez, Jose	Raut, Francis	Robinson, Craig
Saindon, Jim	Smith, Jackson	Sprimont, Carol
Szymborski, Roselyn	Vaughn, Norma	Wulffe, Matthew
Vallone, Gloria & Sammy	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!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 7

1 Corinthians 5:1-8

Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 8 (The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Micah 5:1-4a

Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

Wednesday, September 9 (St. Peter Claver)

1 Corinthians 7:25-31

Luke 6:20-26

Thursday, September 10

1 Corinthians 8:1B-7, 11-13

Luke 6:27-38

Friday, September 11

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22B-27

Luke 6:39-42

Saturday, September 12

1 Corinthians 10:14-22

Luke 6:43-49

Sunday, September 13

Sirach 27:30-28:7

Romans 14:7-9

Matthew 18:21-35



The candle in the sanctuary is burning for

Fr. Dennis Settles

Requested by St. John Paul II Parish



Prayer Line Information

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

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BAPTIZED ON AUGUST 22, 2020

DALARY GUADALUPE RAMIREZ
Daughter of Jorge Ramirez Delgado and Fatima Martinez

BAPTIZED ON AUGUST 23, 2020

EASTON MICHAEL GOWLER
Son of Michael and Brianne Gowler

BAPTIZED ON AUGUST 29, 2020

LESLIE CAROLINA RAMIREZ-MARTINEZ
Daughter of José Ramirez-Villaneuva and Elida Martinez-Hernandez

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



OCIA (formerly RCIA)-"Come Journey With Us"

OCIA, or the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the process in which adults become full, participating members of the Catholic Church. Participants go through a process of nurturing their relationship with God, becoming familiar with the Catholic teachings and practices, studying the Gospel, professing their faith in Jesus and the Church, and receiving the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Communion, and/or Confirmation.

OCIA, or the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is open to ALL who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith:

- a non-baptized person.
- a member of another Christian church who is interested in the Catholic faith.
- a baptized Catholic who has not received First Communion or Confirmation, or
- a Catholic who has been away from the Church and desires to become an active member again.

OCIA classes at St. John Paul II are held on Sunday mornings, beginning late September, and culminate in the celebration of sacraments at Easter-time. Call the parish office now to register or for more information at 815.933.7683.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
EL RITO DE INICIACIÓN DE ADULTOS**

OCIA- "Ven a Viajar Con Nosotros"

OCIA, o el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos, es el proceso por el cual los adultos se convierten en miembros plenos y participantes de la Iglesia Católica. Los participantes pasan por un proceso de nutrir su relación con Dios, familiarizarse con las enseñanzas y prácticas católicas, estudiar el Evangelio, profesar su fe en Jesús y la Iglesia y recibir los sacramentos de iniciación: bautismo, comunión y/o confirmación.

OCIA, o el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos, está abierto a TODOS los que estén interesados en aprender más acerca de la fe católica.

- una persona no bautizada.
- un miembro de otra iglesia cristiana que esté interesado en la fe católica.
- un católico bautizado que no ha recibido la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación,
- un católico que ha estado alejado de la Iglesia y desea volver a ser un miembro activo.

Las clases de OCIA en San Juan Pablo II se llevan a cabo los domingos por la mañana comenzando a finales de Septiembre y culminando en la celebración de los sacramentos en tiempo de Pascua. Llame a la oficina parroquial ahora para inscribirse o para mas información al 815.933.7683.

TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS ALL ARE WELCOME

Vengan a Celebrar el Día de la Independencia de México en Familia

Sabado 12 de Septiembre 2:00 a 8:00 pm
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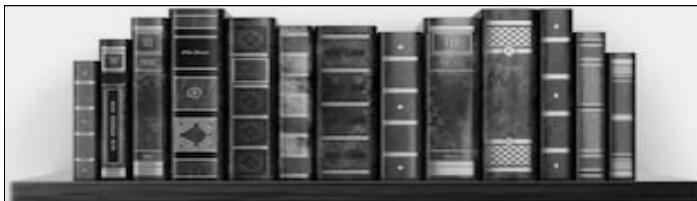
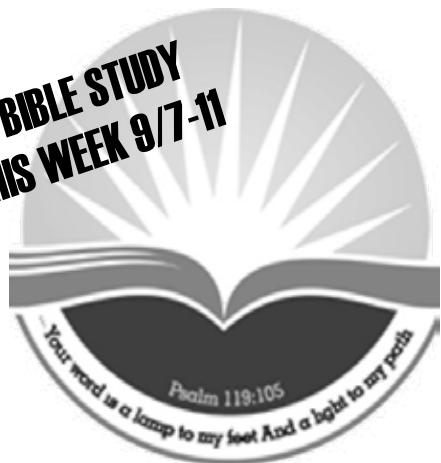
Beginning
Thursday, September 17
6:30 pm Family Center

Questions?
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Living Word Bible Study

The Gospel of
Mark
Tuesday
11:00 am and
7:00 pm

**NO BIBLE STUDY
THIS WEEK 9/7-11**



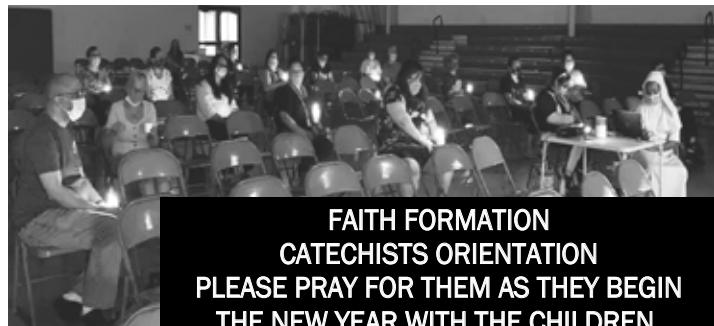
Words of Wisdom Book Club IS BACK!!

Beginning
Friday, September 11, 2020 6 pm
St. John Paul II Family Center

Book for September: Broken Mary

By Kevin Matthews

**COVID-19 Protocols will be followed:
Masks will be required and social distancing
observed. We will not be able to have a meal, but a
prepackaged snack will be provided.**



**FAITH FORMATION
CATECHISTS ORIENTATION
PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM AS THEY BEGIN
THE NEW YEAR WITH THE CHILDREN.**



La fecha límite es el 10 de septiembre
Orientación para padres/estudiantes 8/9 de septiembre,
6pm Settles Center (Gimnasio)
Las clases comienzan el 15/16 de septiembre

Registration Deadline is September 10
Parent/Student Orientation Sept. 8/9,
6 pm Settles Center (Gym)
Classes begin September 15/16

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 6, 2020

CHRIST IS PRESENT:

The readings today lay out our duty to dissuade the wicked from their ways; to not harden our hearts; to love, love, love; and to lead sisters and brothers out of sin. Important. Necessary, Baptismal duty. But let the last gospel sentence become our guide this week: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them." Christ is always present. Christ is surely with us now in the liturgy, in Communion, in all the sacraments, in his word proclaimed, in the praying and singing in Church– and in this pandemic. As few as two or three of us assures his presence.

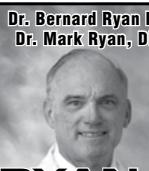
- What is God saying to me about un-hardening my heart?
- Let me read a Bible passage each day this week, either reprising the Sunday readings or using this week's gospels of Luke 7 and 8. What is Christ saying to me each day?
- With whom can I gather, even if kept from the church building to sing God's praise?

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

4:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

September 5, 2020

† Shawn Kehoe (*Karen Bajt*)

† Adrian Denault (*St. Mary's Monday morning volunteers*)

† August Bosman (*The Grandchildren*)

† Nicolas Perez Martinez (*Angela Perez*)

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

Monday

7:30 a.m.

Tuesday

7:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

7:30 a.m.

Thursday

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Friday

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Saturday

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6:00 p.m.

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

September 12, 2020

† Beth Lamie (*Tom & Donna Lamie*)

† Rosemary Miller (*Her Children*)

All the Parishioners of St. John Paul II

September 13, 2020

† Deacon Ron Whitman (*Joanne Whitman*)

† Betty Clodi (*Clodi Family*)

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† Joan Hegg (*David Hegg*)

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EVENT POSTPONED

St. Rose Chapel
is having a
Parking Lot Garage Sale
Saturday, September 12, 2020
9am to 3pm

Agency Spotlight



Agency Name: Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry	Agency Location: Kankakee, IL
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Staff/Volunteer Interviewed: Alicia Parkinson	Date: August 11, 2020
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How long have you been volunteering/working at your agency? I started with this pantry in the Fall of 2008. Since that time we have endured many changes, including a three-parish merger in 2017. We were re-named the Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry in 2016. I have been a part of the pantry's continual growth to better meet the needs of our community. I focus mainly on compliance and reporting issues.

Where is your agency located? In my earlier professional years, I was a bookkeeper. Later I pursued a new career and worked as an Addictions Counselor for a local medical center for 22+ years. Together, the detail orientation and people skills gained in those careers have enhanced my role here at the pantry.

Where is your agency located? Our pantry site is on the east side of the city of Kankakee at 341 N. St. Joseph Ave in the Marycrest neighborhood.

Can you tell us something unique about your location/area? When several Kankakee area Catholic parishes were merged into one larger parish in 2017, there was some discussion of moving our pantry site across town. Our pantry volunteers advocated that we be allowed to stay in the east side area as many of customers are within walking or bicycling distance to our location. There are several public housing apartment complexes in the area. This neighborhood is in somewhat of a "food desert" as it does not have any large grocery stores, only a convenience store and a dollar store with limited nutritious food selections. We felt it was important to the people of this area to stay in the neighborhood to better serve them.

How many families/individuals do you serve a week/distribution? We are currently serving 75-100+ households weekly. Prior to COVID-19 we held distribution on Friday's from 8am to 11:45am. Now we distribute every Friday from 8am to 11am. We changed times to better accommodate our need to move customers quickly off the street and avoid traffic back-ups.

How has your agency adjusted to providing services during the COVID-19 pandemic? After several weeks of closure, we had to look at safer options for both customers and volunteers in order to re-open. We transitioned from a client choice pantry to a curbside delivery system with fewer choices, resulting in speedier service with limited contacts. Unfortunately, many of our long-time regular volunteers have been unable to volunteer due to age-related recommendations. This spring and summer we have had the benefit many new volunteers, including teachers and students who will be returning to the classrooms this month. They have been greatly appreciated!

How have you been able to manage C-FAP boxes? We have been receiving the C-FAP meat, produce and dairy boxes throughout this pandemic situation. It has been great receiving good quality products to supplement our regular NIFB orders, and Direct Connect and other donations. We have been able to divide the C-FAP items up so that our clients gets a good variety of product.

Can you tell us a story about a volunteer or client that represents your ministry/pantry/organization? We have a client, Mary, who is very much a representative of the many seniors who have visited us on a regular basis throughout the years. Mary has stated she appreciates the extra help our pantry provides. She does not meet income guidelines for SNAP as her retirement funds are just over the income limit, yet she reports her medical and daily living bills continue to increase each year.

What is one piece of advice you'd give to someone stepping into your role? I would suggest that volunteers come prepared to open themselves to the idea that they will meet people who come from many diverse situations, and to look at finding the "common ground" that they share. When you take the time to engage in conversation with others and establish a real relationship, one finds many common interests and respect for one another. At Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry, we have always called our customers by their names, not number. Many of them have expressed appreciation for that personal effort. One of the things I miss most with our curbside delivery system is the limited time for personal interactions with some our customers, as many have shared their joys with additions to their families, as well as their sorrows with losses in their lives. Positive interactions lead to deeper positive relationships. And that is something society should seriously consider about these days!

What is one thing that has surprised you about the work you do? I am always amazed that by the end of our distribution day on Friday, when I would expect to feel the most tired and ready for my week to end, that I feel so re-energized and good about the work that our KCFP team does at our pantry.

Prayer for Labor Day

On this weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, loving Father, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor-in the marketplace, fields, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living.

We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name.

We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere.

May those of us who are now retired always remember that we still make a valuable contribution to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity.

May our working and our resting all give praise to you until the day we share together in eternal rest will all our departed in your Kingdom as you live and reign Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, on God, forever and ever. Amen

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

LABOR DAY PARISH SCHEDULE

- Morning Mass will be at 9:00 am**
- Adoration will be held as usual from 12-5pm**
- The parish office will be closed**
- Fishers of Men is not meeting**



Agency Spotlight!

Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry

We are so pleased to introduce you to the

Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry
as our Agency Spotlight of the week!



Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry has been serving neighbors in Kankakee for over 12 years now! While they've had to change up their distribution process to help serve more neighbors quickly and safely, they continue to provide a warm, friendly welcome to everyone coming through their distribution.



Season of Creation Petitions

- O Lord, grant us the grace to respect and care for Your creation.
- O Lord, bless all of your creatures as a sign of Your wondrous love.
- O Lord, help us to end the suffering of the poor and bring healing to all of Your creation.
- O Lord, help us to use our technological inventiveness to undo the damage we have done to Your creation and to sustain Your gift of nature.

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