

# 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.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

### SATURDAY/SÁBADO

English - 4:30 pm Vigil Mass  
Español - 6:00 pm Misa de Vigilia

### SUNDAY/DOMINGO

English - 8:00 am, 9:30 am,  
11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Español - 1:00 pm

Latin - 3:00 pm

Sunday Vespers - 6:30 pm

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

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

Español - Martes 6:00 pm  
Primer Viernes 7:00 pm

Latin - Wednesday & Friday 12:00 pm  
First Saturday at 9:00 am

## CONFESSIONS

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

The Baptism of the Lord - January 12, 2025  
Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor - 12 de Enero, 2025



*"You are my beloved Son;  
with you I am well pleased."*

*"Tú eres mi Hijo, el predilecto;  
en tí me complaceo".*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Thank you to all who have donated to the organ! We have met our goal. While we prepare for the installation of the organ in the next month or so, we are also planning on refinishing the pews, putting in new flooring in the church, as well as installing new spring lift kneelers. The pews are in dire need of refinishing, and we have received donations throughout the years for new flooring and kneelers. Thanks to recent donations as well as restricted donations from individual donors and events such as the Oktoberfest, we have the funds to refinish the pews, put tile in the church, and change the carpet in the sacristy and confessional. We have some funds set aside for the kneelers, which will be new and light-weight. To offset the cost, there will be an envelope for new kneelers on February 2nd, if you would like to contribute to it. The project will not affect Sunday Masses other than chairs being set up to replace pews as they are being restored week after week.

After consulting the finance council and parish council and speaking with members of the parish, this is a need and a good time to enhance and care for our church. After all, at the heart of who we are as a family of faith is our worship, which brings us together in Christ. Last week, we celebrated Epiphany, recalling when the Magi found the baby Jesus and adored Him, presenting Him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord this weekend, we recall that God has visited His people, entered into our history, and redeemed us. This is good news! Like the Magi, our adoration and worship are a response to the Good News of God's presence and our redemption. In that context, we hear Isaiah's command in our first reading this weekend: "Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD... Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care." God is present, and He feeds us. Central to who we are is the Mass, when, out of gratitude and faith, we come together in the Lord and are fed by Him. Thank you for your generosity and devotion, and know that I remember you and your loved ones in my daily prayers.

In Christ,  
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

¡Gracias a todos los que donaron para el órgano! Hemos alcanzado nuestra meta. Mientras nos preparamos para la instalación del órgano el próximo mes, también estamos planeando renovar las bancas, poner pisos nuevos en la iglesia e instalar nuevos reclinatorios con resortes. Las bancas necesitan renovarse urgentemente y hemos recibido donaciones a lo largo de los años para pisos nuevos y reclinatorios. Gracias a las donaciones recientes, así como a las donaciones restringidas de donantes individuales y eventos como el Oktoberfest, tenemos los fondos para renovar las bancas, poner pisos en la iglesia y cambiar la alfombra de la sacristía y el confesionario. Tenemos algunos fondos para los reclinatorios, que serán nuevos y livianos. Para compensar el costo, habrá un sobre para nuevos reclinatorios el 2 de febrero, por si desea contribuir. El proyecto no afectará las misas dominicales, semana tras semana se instalarán sillas para reemplazar las bancas a medida que se restauran.

Después de consultar al consejo de finanzas y al consejo parroquial y hablar con los miembros de la parroquia, esta es una necesidad y un buen momento para mejorar y cuidar nuestra iglesia. Después de todo, en el corazón de quienes somos como una familia de fe está nuestra adoración, que nos une en Cristo. La semana pasada, celebramos la Epifanía, recordando cuando los Reyes Magos encontraron al niño Jesús y lo adoraron, presentándole regalos de oro, incienso y mirra. Al celebrar la Solemnidad del Bautismo del Señor este fin de semana, recordamos que Dios ha visitado a su pueblo, ha entrado en nuestra historia y nos ha redimido. ¡Esta es una buena noticia! Al igual que los Reyes Magos, nuestra adoración y culto son una respuesta a la Buena Nueva de la presencia de Dios y nuestra redención. En ese contexto, escuchamos el mandato de Isaías en nuestra primera lectura de este fin de semana: "Sube a lo alto del monte, mensajero de buenas nuevas para Sión; alza con fuerza la voz, tú que anuncias noticias alegres a Jerusalén. Alza la voz y no temas; anuncia a los ciudadanos de Judá: Aquí está su Dios... Como pastor apacentará su rebaño; llevará en sus brazos a los corderitos recién nacidos y atenderá solícito a sus madres." Dios está presente y nos alimenta. En el centro de lo que somos está la Misa, cuando, por gratitud y fe, nos reunimos en el Señor y somos alimentados por Él. Gracias por su generosidad y devoción, y sepan que los recuerdo a ustedes y a sus seres queridos en mis oraciones diarias.

En Cristo,  
Padre Mateo



The candle in the sanctuary  
is burning in memory of

**ROBERT PFEIFFER**

By: His Family



The Family of St. John Paul II  
extends our  
Deepest Sympathy to the family of  
**James Goudreau**

May the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS**

**ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:**

**BICKFORD:** Barbara Ciaccio

**BOURBONNAIS GROVE:** Lavonne Linneman

**BUTTERFIELD COURT:** Pat Canfield

**HERITAGE WOODS, Manteno:** Noralee Sirois

**HOMEBOUND:** Rose Kaminsky, Rosemary Dicarolo, Bob Granger, Jean Rykiel

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

**MILLER REHAB CENTER:** Colleen Brown

**PRAIRIEVIEW,** Danforth:

**PRESENCE HERITAGE LODGE:** Dick Keethers

**RIVERSIDE SENIOR LIFE/MEMORY CARE:**

**SENIOR CARE:** David Africano

**WESTWOOD OAKS:** Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

**PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK**

- |                             |                           |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| ~ Adrien Raymond            | ~ Julia Moreno            |
| ~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche     | ~ Kathy Call              |
| ~ Alice Ramien              | ~ Kathy Dechenne          |
| ~ Arturo Barajas            | ~ Kelli Burson            |
| ~ Baby Wyatt & Parents      | ~ Magdalena Salazar       |
| ~ Betty Mulvihill           | ~ Margaret Bialas         |
| ~ Birdie Blanchette         | ~ Manuel Silva            |
| ~ Bob Crane                 | ~ Maria de la Luz Patiño  |
| ~ Carol Gean Veranda        | ~ Maria Toledo            |
| ~ Carol Loiselle            | ~ Mia Martin              |
| ~ Charlene Russell          | ~ Naomi                   |
| ~ Craig Robinson            | ~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter |
| ~ Colleen Kilbride          | ~ Nicole & David          |
| ~ Daniel Wulffe             | ~ Pat Crane               |
| ~ Darby Thomas              | ~ Paul Gerth              |
| ~ Debbie Turner             | ~ Raquel Garcia           |
| ~ Desiree Grant             | ~ Robert & Kathy Lenzi    |
| ~ Elia López                | ~ Ron Talamantes          |
| ~ Eula Mae Goselin          | ~ Sharon Burton           |
| ~ Frances Powers            | ~ Sylvia Lane             |
| ~ Gloria Mendez             | ~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron  |
| ~ Harry Carpenter           | ~ Tom Sauch               |
| ~ Jan Richley               | ~ Vito Scafiezzo          |
| ~ José Luis Delgadillo      | ~ Willis Buchholz         |
| ~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis |                           |

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Week of January 11 - 19

**Saturday, January 11**

- 8:00 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
4:30 pm † Juanita Reichert Merrill († Fred & Cheryl Hiles)  
6:00 pm † Belén Villagómez Nava (*María Gaytán*)

**Sunday, January 12**

- 8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen (*Dennis & Barb Schafer*)  
9:30 am Sister Immaculatee (*Char, Birdie & Candy*)  
11:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 pm † Margarita Muñoz de Canales & † Norberto Canales Muñoz (*Beatriz Canales*)  
3:00 pm Joshua Boudreau (*Bob & Barbara Boudreau*)  
5:00 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

**Monday, January 13**

- 7:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

**Tuesday, January 14**

- 7:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
6:00 pm POR LAS PERSONAS ENFERMAS DE LA PARROQUIA

**Wednesday, January 15**

- 9:00 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
12:00 pm † Gerald Frechette (*Sandy & Francis Girard*)

**Thursday, January 16**

- 7:30 am † Arney Joubert (*Margaret Jopubert*)

**Friday, January 17**

- 7:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
12:00 pm Special Intention (*Joel Azzarelli*)

**Saturday, January 18**

- 8:00 am Jeff Joaquin Ramos (*Nail & Janice Lumangtad*)  
4:30 pm FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
6:00 pm José Guadalupe Méndez & Miguel Méndez (*Lilia Méndez*)

**Sunday, January 19**

- 8:00 am † Deceased Members of JPPII CCW (*JPPII CCW*)  
9:30 am Sister Teresa (*Char, Birdie & Candy*)  
11:30 am FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 pm POR LAS PERSONAS ENFERMAS DE LA PARROQUIA  
3:00 pm Gerald Frechette (*Sandy & Francis*)  
5:00 pm † Diane Sheehan (*Maureen O'Connor*)

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

*La intención de esta lista es rezar por quienes están seriamente enfermos. Ayúdenos a mantenerla actualizada llamándonos. ¡Gracias!*

**PRAYER LINE INFORMATION:** For your prayer requests please call **Rita Kanosky at 815-932-4974** or, email **Barb Jepson at [wbjepson69@gmail.com](mailto:wbjepson69@gmail.com)**

**“Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.”**



# ST. JOHN PAUL II DIRECTORY



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## OFFICE HOURS

## HORARIO DE OFICINA

**Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**  
**Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**Lunes - Jueves 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**  
**Viernes 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

Please call 815-933-7683 + Extension.  
Call the parish office and PRESS the #  
button In case of a death or a near death  
emergency and you need a priest.

*Marque 815-933-7683 + Extensión.  
Llame al número y presione la Tecla #  
en caso de una emergencia de muerte y  
necesita un sacerdote.*

**Phone: 815-933-7683 Fax: 815-933-7692**

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### Formación Espiritual y

**Consejería Hispana:** Hna. Silvia Tejada Ext. 404 [stejedacardenas@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:stejedacardenas@jp2kankakee.org)  
**Superintendent:** David C. Panozzo 815-953-2104

### FAITH FORMATION OFFICE: 815-932-7911

**FFP Coordinator:** Sr. Maxencia Nyanzi Ext. 420 [srmax@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:srmax@jp2kankakee.org)  
**FFP Desk:** Silvia Esparza & Sandra Díaz Ext. 419

### OUTREACH

**Outreach Coordinator\*:** Teri O'Connor 815-693-9152 [oconnor.teri@gmail.com](mailto:oconnor.teri@gmail.com)  
**Azzarelli Clinic Main** Ext. 414 [azzarellclinic@yahoo.com](mailto:azzarellclinic@yahoo.com)  
**Azzarelli Clinic Director:** Brooke Futterer Ext. 416  
**Food Pantry:** Nancy Godin Ext. 417  
**Lisieux Pastoral Center:** Kathy Wade Ext. 418 815-928-6093 & 815-939-2913  
**Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet\*:** Teri O'Connor  
**Hearts of Hope Youth Group:** Michelle & Ken Barrie 815-382-8130

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

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



### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

### FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Mark O'Connor- President
- Annie Syrstad - Secretary
- Dave Denault
- Amy Anderson
- Mickey Kreissler
- Tom Martin
- Ryan Carter

## OFFERING/OFRENDA

**New Year's Collection: 2,477.00**  
**January 5 & 6 - 10,710.02**

- 164 Envelopes/34 - On Line Donors (\$1,923) -
- (This information is being provided to keep you updated)
- Monthly School Subsidy to BMCS: \$6,592.92**
- Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,211.00**
- Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost/  
Sobres: \$435**

**Our goal each week is/ Meta Semanal: \$11,058.00**

**THANK YOU GRACIAS**

Please consider signing up for Online Giving...  
it's easy and convenient:  
Go to <https://jp2kankakee.weshareonline.org>

**ONLINE** giving

**\*\*\*Please email bulletin requests to the above  
e-mail at least one week before the weekend  
requested.**

## Time, Talent & Treasure

### Fostering Stewardship as a way of life

In gratitude for organizing and helping with the Three Kings celebration, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge:

### All Volunteers

## Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida

En agradecimiento por organizar y ayudar para la celebración de los Tres Reyes Magos, reconocemos agradecemos y saludamos a:

### Todos los Voluntarios

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### The Baptism of the Lord Sunday, January 12

R1 - Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

R2 - Acts 10:34-38

G - Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

### Monday, January 13

R1 - Hebrews 1:1-6

G - Mark 1:14-20

### Tuesday, January 14

R1 - Hebrews 2:5-12

G - Mark 1:21-28

### Wednesday, January 15

R1 - Hebrews 2:14-18

G - Mark 1:29-39

### Thursday, January 16

R1 - Hebrews 3:7-14

G - Mark 1:40-45

### Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot

### Friday, January 17

R1 - Hebrews 4:1-5, 11

G - Mark 2:1-12

### Saturday, January 18

R1 - Hebrews 4:12-16

G - Mark 2:13-17

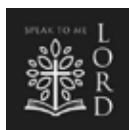
### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday, January 19

R1 - Isaiah 62:1-5

R2 - 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

G - John 2:1-11



## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Classes are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month in the church, please call to register; Baptisms are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month or after Mass.

**Weddings:** Marriage Preparation begins at least 6 months in advance; please schedule a meeting with Fr. Matt for details (before finalizing other wedding plans).

## SACRAMENTOS

**Bautismo:** Llame a la oficina parroquial y regístrese para las pláticas Pre-Bautismales; los bautismos son el 4<sup>o</sup> sábado del mes, después de misa o en otra fecha disponible.

**Bodas:** La preparación comienza por lo menos 6 meses antes; Programe una cita con el Padre Matt para más detalles (antes de finalizar otros planes de su boda).

## THIS WEEK AT JPII

January 13 - 19

### Monday, January 13

12:00-5:00 pm Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament / Adoración

6:00 pm Practica del Ballet Folclórico

7:00 pm Reunión del Grupo Carismático

7:00 pm Reunión para la Celebración de San Pablo Casacuarán

### Tuesday, January 14

9:00 am Lisieux-Clothing Closet

10:00 am **Fatima Rosary Group**

11:00 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

6:00 pm FFP - Class

7:00 pm Bible Study

7:30 pm OCIA

### Wednesday, January 15

6:00 pm FFP - Class

6:00 pm Baptism Class - English

### Thursday, January 16

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice - Church

7:00 pm Perseverancia - Encuentros Juveniles

### Friday, January 17

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center

9:30 am Homeschoolers Gathering

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

### Saturday, January 18

6:30 am Men of St. Joseph - Study Group

11:00 am Baptisms - English (If needed)

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream

3:30 pm Confessions/Confesiones

### Sunday, January 19

9:00 am Estudio Bíblico - Hombres

6:30 pm Vespers

### FUTURE EVENTS - DATES

Jan. 20 Parish Council Meeting

Jan. 22 Pro-Life - Holy Hour (Church)

Jan. 25 Bautismos - Español (Sise necesitan)

Jan. 26 The Blue Knights Club

Jan. 27 CCW Deanery Meeting

Finance Council Meeting

Feb. 1 Men of St. Joseph

Carmelite Lay Meeting

First Saturday Latin Mass

Adoración Nocturna

CCW - Game Day Set Up

CCW - Game Day

*"Prepare your heart to receive Jesus"*

*"Reconciliation is the fastest way to change your life"*



Three Kings Day 2025

Día de los Reyes Magos 2025





## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, January 18 Sábado, 18 de Enero		Sunday, January 19 Domingo, 19 de Enero				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Rose Bailey	Karina Toledo Elia López	Linda Kerness	Thomas Martin	Annie Syrstad	Ricardo Valtierra Rogelio Canchola	Julie Koerner
USHERS UJIERES	Karen Miller Chris Stueck	Juana M. Lugo Luis E. Ayala Marcela Andrade Vicente Andrade	Robert Kerness John Lilienthal Kerri Lilienthal Christopher Ryan	Stephen Kelley Sandy Kuntz Charlotte Nolte Mary Westover	Pedro González Rosa González	Patricia Martínez Eva Muñiz Aydee Palma	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
SACRISTAN	Karen Miller	Patricia Martínez	Kathy Bessette	Deb Groth	Rosa Gonzalez	Rogelio Canchola	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
COMMUNION MINISTERS			Kathy Bessette Julie Yarno	Thomas Martin Diane Devine		Kimberly Candelario Ema Elvir Celene Valtierra	
GREETER				Cynthia Martin			
ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Miguel Sánchez Michelle Tetlalmatzi <i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Julian Cortez Bretton Quick Pedro Vazquez	Benjamin Bilderback Athziri Pina Bretton Quick	Jade Carrera Diaz Aaron Ferreira Alexander Gaytán Alex Hernandez	Alexander Tapp

This Ministry Schedule is subject to change. Please consult MSP for the most accurate schedule.

### WEEKDAY MINISTERS /MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Jan. 13-18	Sharon Jackson	Flor Rojas
Martes 14	Marcela Andrade	Daniel Varela

Linens/Lienzos: Week of Jan. 12: Diane Devine; weeks of Jan. 19 & 26: Peggy Shule

## Escuela para Padres

*Ven! Y descubre las Claves para una  
Crianza Saludable y Feliz*



**Todos los martes de 6:30 a 7:30**

#### Aprenderás:

1. La Importancia de la Comunicación: Escucha Empática, Expresión de Sentimientos, Diálogo Abierto
2. Establecimiento de Límites y Reglas: Consistencia, Flexibilidad, Disciplina Positiva
3. Fomentar la Autoestima: Elogios Esfuerzos, Apoyo Emocional, Modelar Autoestima
4. Tiempo de Calidad en Familia: Actividades en Conjunto, Rutinas Familiares, Desconexión Digital
5. Educación en Valores: Respeto, Responsabilidad, Empatía, Generosidad.
6. Salud Mental y Bienestar: Atención a las Emociones, Relajación y Autocuidado, Apoyo Profesional, Apoyo Espiritual.

**Recuerda:** ¡Cada niño es único y cada familia es diferente! Lo importante es adaptar estas estrategias a las necesidades particulares de tu familia.

Child Cancer Awareness Benefit Game  
benefiting Comer Children's Hospital



**Tuesday, January 14 at 7:30 pm**  
Bishop McNamara Fightin' Irish v Manteno.  
\$1 admissions with a NWT stuffed animal!  
Stuffed animal toss pregame, split the pot.  
All proceeds and stuffed animals donated to Comer Children's Hospital.

Novena

# 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

January 16-24

*Pray to protect*

## HUMAN LIFE

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, January 16th - January 24th. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. **Sign up at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)!**

**St. JOHN PAUL II**  
CATHOLIC PARISH

En nuestra Parroquia de San Juan Pablo II  
se celebraran:

## Bodas Comunitarias

**El día sábado, 12 de abril, 2025**

*¡Te invitamos a que recibas este sacramento!*

Para mayores informes contacta a la Oficina Parroquial.

### ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT



**Every Monday/Cada Lunes**  
**12:00 - 5:00 pm**  
**First Friday/Primer Viernes**  
**8:00 am- 6:00 pm**  
**Nocturnal Adoration/Adoración Nocturna**  
**First Saturday / Primer Sábado**

# OUTREACH MINISTRIES



## KANKAKEE CATHOLIC FOOD PANTRY

341 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee  
815-933-7683 Ext. 417

FRIDAYS 9:00-11:00am

### OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!!

"Every week we are feeding between 150-180 families." We are looking for both monetary and non-perishable food donations such as peanut butter, jelly, cereal, boxed stuffing, jell-o, pudding, pasta, granola bars, and pancake mix. **DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF ON SITE**

**OR AT ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH**

For Monetary Donations go to [jp2kankakee.org](http://jp2kankakee.org) or, by mail to: Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry  
956 S. 10th Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

## Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

341 N. St. Joseph Ave. Kankakee, IL 60901



**Week of January 13 – 17**

For details please call **815-928-6093** and listen to the entire message!

**Hours are posted on the front door.**

*Para detalles llame al 815-928-6093 y escuche todo el mensaje.*

*Los horarios están en la Puerta.*

## OUR SHEPHERD'S CLOTHING CLOSET

Located at Lisieux Outreach Center  
371 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee

**Open Fridays**  
to choose clothing  
9:00 – 11:00 am



## DIocese of Joliet Office of Mission NAVAJO NATION Mission 2025

PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION THROUGH INTENTIONAL SERVICE AND SOLIDARITY WITH THE POOR

### THE PLAN

The Diocese of Joliet has been putting faith into action in Chinle, Arizona, for 20 years and will return to Navajo Nation for a two-week mission focused on construction and outreach from May 31 to June 13, 2025.

### THE CALL

The Office of Mission is seeking parishioners (18+) willing to help local area families with light construction work. No experience is necessary, but a heart willing to serve is required! Mission leaders will train any inexperienced workers.

### THE ADVENTURE

Missionaries stay on the campus of Our Lady of Fatima in Chinle, AZ. Teams share meals, work, and joy. There is time for spiritual formation, fun, rest and ample time to learn about the Navajo culture and take it in. Come experience the beautiful landscapes and traditions of the Navajo Nation Catholic Community.



### INFORMATIONAL MEETING

7 PM on Wednesday, January 15th, 2025  
Blanchette Catholic Center  
16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

Questions?  
Alex Buldak, Mission Lead  
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## Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet

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Every Monday/Cada Lunes  
12:00 - 5:00 pm  
First Friday / Primer Viernes  
8:00 am- 6:00 pm  
Nocturnal Adoration/Adoración Nocturna  
First Saturday / Primer Sábado  
8:00 pm-2:00 am

**Devociones Mensuales en Español**

- † 1er Viernes: Devociones al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, después de misa de 7:00 pm
- † 1er Sábado: Rosario, después de misa de 6:00 pm
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IN PERSON: Tuesdays from  
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PLACE: Conference Room

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Saturday, January 4, 2025 at 9:00 am  
JP2 Conference Room

**All are Welcome!!**

More Info? Call/Text 815-592-1181 Theresa Doehring


**Words of Wisdom Book Club**

Friday, February 7  
At 6:00 pm  
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January's Book election -  
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Questions: Call Laurie Mau 815-933-8859

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**Rosary Making**  
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Future dates/Fechas Futuras:

Monday, January 13  
Lunes, 13 de Enero  
5:30 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 18  
Sábado, 18 de Enero  
8:30 - 10:00 am

JPII Conference Room

For Questions Call:  
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- \* Meets every-other Saturday 6:30 A.M. -8:00 A.M. at the Parish Conference Room (Next to the Angel Room)
- \* Exodus 90 starting January 20, 2025 (Ends on

\* Future Meeting Dates: January: 4, 18, February 1, 15, March 1, 15, 29

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Your will puts your love into action by supporting the people and ministries you love. It's a powerful, lasting testament of your faith.

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**Put love into action through my will**

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Blessings,  
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