

# St. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

956 S. 10th Ave. • Kankakee, Illinois 60901 • 815-933-7683

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

Third Sunday of Easter, April 19, 2026  
III Domingo de Pascua, 19 de Abril, 2026

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### 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

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

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



Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;  
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

Señor Jesús, haz que comprendamos la Sagrada Escritura.  
Enciende nuestro corazón mientras nos hablas.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Saint John Paul II used this weekend’s Gospel to introduce a year dedicated to the holy Eucharist. I would like to share with you the opening words of our patron saint’s apostolic letter, *Mane Nobiscum Domine* (“Stay with us, Lord”). Let us pray for the children in our parish who are preparing for their first reconciliation and first holy communion, and let us continue to cultivate within ourselves joy, love, and reverence for our Lord present in the Holy Eucharist.

In Christ,  
Fr. Matt

“Stay with us, Lord, for it is almost evening” (cf. Lk 24:29). This was the insistent invitation that the two disciples journeying to Emmaus on the evening of the day of the resurrection addressed to the Wayfarer who had accompanied them on their journey. Weighed down with sadness, they never imagined that this stranger was none other than their Master, risen from the dead. Yet they felt their hearts burning within them (cf. v. 32) as he spoke to them and “explained” the Scriptures. The light of the Word unlocked the hardness of their hearts and “opened their eyes” (cf. v. 31). Amid the shadows of the passing day and the darkness that clouded their spirit, the Wayfarer brought a ray of light which rekindled their hope and led their hearts to yearn for the fullness of light. “Stay with us”, they pleaded. And he agreed. Soon afterwards, Jesus’ face would disappear, yet the Master would “stay” with them, hidden in the “breaking of the bread” which had opened their eyes to recognize him.

The image of the disciples on the way to Emmaus can serve as a fitting guide for a Year when the Church will be particularly engaged in living out the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. Amid our questions and difficulties, and even our bitter disappointments, the divine Wayfarer continues to walk at our side, opening to us the Scriptures and leading us to a deeper understanding of the mysteries of God. When we meet him fully, we will pass from the light of the Word to the light streaming from the “Bread of life”, the supreme fulfilment of his promise to “be with us always, to the end of the age” (cf. Mt 28:20).

The “breaking of bread”—as the Eucharist was called in earliest times—has always been at the centre of the Church’s life. Through it Christ makes present within time the mystery of his death and resurrection. In it he is received in person as the “living bread come down from heaven” (Jn 6:51), and with him we receive the pledge of eternal life and a foretaste of the eternal banquet of the heavenly Jerusalem.



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

San Juan Pablo II usó el Evangelio de este fin de semana para introducir un año dedicado a la Sagrada Eucaristía. Me gustaría compartir con ustedes las palabras de apertura de la carta apostólica de la santa patrona, *Mane Nobiscum Domine* (“Quédate con nosotros, Señor”). Oremos por los jóvenes que se preparan para su primera reconciliación y su primera comunión, y sigamos cultivando en nosotros la alegría, el amor y la reverencia hacia nuestro Señor, presente en la Sagrada Eucaristía.

En Cristo,  
Padre Mateo

“Quédate con nosotros, Señor, porque atardece y el día va de caída” (cf. Lc 24,29). Ésta fue la invitación apremiante que, la tarde misma del día de la resurrección, los dos discípulos que se dirigían hacia Emaús hicieron al Caminante que a lo largo del trayecto se había unido a ellos. Abrumados por tristes pensamientos, no se imaginaban que aquel desconocido fuera precisamente su Maestro, ya resucitado. No obstante, habían experimentado cómo “ardía” su corazón (cf. ibíd. 32) mientras él les hablaba “explicando” las Escrituras. La luz de la Palabra ablandaba la dureza de su corazón y “se les abrieron los ojos” (cf. ibíd. 31). Entre la penumbra del crepúsculo y el ánimo sombrío que les embargaba, aquel Caminante era un rayo de luz que despertaba la esperanza y abría su espíritu al deseo de la plena luz. “Quédate con nosotros”, suplicaron, y Él aceptó. Poco después el rostro de Jesús desaparecería, pero el Maestro se había quedado veladamente en el “pan partido”, ante el cual se habían abierto sus ojos.

El icono de los discípulos de Emaús viene bien para orientar un Año en que la Iglesia estará dedicada especialmente a vivir el misterio de la Santísima Eucaristía. En el camino de nuestras dudas e inquietudes, y a veces de nuestras amargas desilusiones, el divino Caminante sigue haciéndose nuestro compañero para introducirnos, con la interpretación de las Escrituras, en la comprensión de los misterios de Dios. Cuando el encuentro llega a su plenitud, a la luz de la Palabra se añade la que brota del “Pan de vida”, con el cual Cristo cumple a la perfección su promesa de “estar con nosotros todos los días hasta el fin del mundo” (cf. Mt 28,20).

La “fracción del pan” —como al principio se llamaba a la Eucaristía— ha estado siempre en el centro de la vida de la Iglesia. Por ella, Cristo hace presente a lo largo de los siglos el misterio de su muerte y resurrección. En ella se le recibe a Él en persona, como “pan vivo que ha bajado del cielo” (Jn 6,51), y con Él se nos da la prenda de la vida eterna, merced a la cual se degusta el banquete eterno en la Jerusalén celeste.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### 3rd Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 19

R1 - Acts 2:14, 22-33

R2 - 1 Peter 1:17-21

G - Luke 24:13-35

### Monday, April 20

R1 - Acts 6:8-15

G - John 6:22-29

### Tuesday, April 21

R1 - Acts 7:51-8:1a

G - John 6:30-35

### Wednesday, April 22

R1 - Acts 8:1b-8

G - John 6:35-40

### Thursday, April 23

R1 - Acts 8:26-40

G - John 6:44-51

### Friday, April 24

R1 - Acts 9:1-20

G - John 6:52-59

### Saturday, April 25

R1 - 1 Peter 5:5b-14

G - Mark 16:15-20

### 4th Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 26

R1 - Acts 2:14a, 36-41

R2 - 1 Peter 2:20b-25

G - John 10:1-10

## THIS WEEK AT JPII

### Monday, April 20

12:00-5:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5:00 pm CCW General Meeting - Holy Family Hall

5:30 pm Rosary Making Group - Conference Room

7:00 pm Parish Council - Conference Room

7:00 pm Reunión del Grupo Carismático

### Tuesday, April 21

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux

10:00 am Art League - Lisieux Room 4

10:00 am Fatima Rosary Group

11:00 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

6:00 pm Faith Formation Program / Doctrina

7:00 pm Bible Study - Conference Room

### Wednesday, April 22

6:00 pm Faith Formation Program / Doctrina

### Thursday, April 23

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

6:30 pm Gift - Conference Room

6:30 pm Choir Practice - Church

7:00 pm Encuentros Juveniles

### Friday, April 24

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

### Saturday, April 25

6:30 am Men of St. Joseph - Conference Room

8:30 am Rosary Making Group - Conference Room

9:00 am First Reconciliation & First Communion Retreat

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary

3:30 pm Confessions/Confesiones

### ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT • ADORACIÓN

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



*The Family of St. John*

*Paul II*

*Welcomes you!*

*Vincent James Mann*

*Baptized*

*April 12, 2026*

**“Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.”**  
**“Lo que pidas en oración con fe, lo recibirás”.**

## 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 4o 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).



The sanctuary lamp is burning in  
memory of

**Juanita Reichert-Merrill**

Requested by Cheryl & Fred Hiles

### HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

**Bickford House:** Barbara Ciaccio  
**Bourbonnais Grove:** Lavonne Linneman  
**Butterfield Court:** Pat Canfield  
**Heritage Lodge:** Dick Keethers  
**Heritage Woods, Kankakee:** Myrna Sandeno  
**Homebound:** Rose Kaminsky, Jean Rykiel  
**LaBella of Clifton:** Kathleen Hardwick  
**Luther Place:** Leola Mulvihill  
**Riverside Senior Care:** David Africano  
**The ARC, Dwight:** Sylvia Lane  
**Westwood Oaks:** Eileen Dupuis, Desiree Grant

### PRAYING FOR THE SICK ORANDO POR LOS ENFERMOS

~ Alice Ramien	~ Kevin Schaumburg
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Leticia Muñoz
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Lucy Canales
~ Bill Richley	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Bob Crane	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Cheryl Heldt	~ Manuel Silva
~ Cindy Frey	~ Maria de la Luz Patiño
~ Craig Robinson	~ Maria Nunez
~ Daniel Wulffe	~ Naomi
~ Darby Thomas	~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
~ Darlene Fortin	~ Nicole & David
~ Debbie Turner	~ Pat Crane
~ Desiree Grant	~ Paul Gerth
~ Elia López	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Ramiro Castillo
~ Iliana Andrade	~ Richard Frey
~ Irma Castillo	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Jackie LaRoche	~ Sharon Burton
~ Jerome Holohan	~ Sylvia Lane
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	~ Tom Sauch
~ Judith Lozano	~ Tony Rosas
~ Julia Moreno	~ Virginia Estrada
~ Kathy Call	~ Virginia Pronger
~ Kathy Dechenne	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Kelli Burson	~ Yael Martínez

The Intention of this list is to pray for the seriously ill.  
Please help us 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 prayer requests, please call Rita Kanosky at 815-932-4974 or,  
email Barb Jepson at [wbjepson69@gmail.com](mailto:wbjepson69@gmail.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, April 18

4:30 pm † Jenora Demers (*Don Demers*)  
 6:00 pm † Salvador Perez Gonzales (*Maria Andrade de Perez*)

### Sunday, April 19

8:00 am † Pat Buckley (*His Siblings*)  
 9:30 am † Juanita Reichert-Merrill (*Cheryl & Fred Hiles*)  
 † Don Tascher (*Dorothy Lemenager*)  
 11:30 am † George Faber (*Rose, David & Julie*)  
 1:00 pm † Alfonso Conterras Abetea (*Lilia Villanueva*)  
 Fatima Martinez (*Patricia Martinez*)  
 † Javier Sanchez (*Maria Sanchez*)  
 † Nicolas Perez (*Maria Sanchez*)  
 † Victor Rodriguez (*Maria Sanchez*)  
 † Dagoberto Orozco Mendez (*Familia*)  
 3:00 pm For the People of the Parish  
 5:00 pm † Carey Ortman (*Jeanne Regnier*)

### Monday, April 20

7:30 am † Lorenzo Marsalli (*Family*)

### Tuesday, April 21

7:30 am † Luis Parra (*Fernández-Parra Family*)  
 6:00 pm † Juana Sanchez (*Familia*)

### Wednesday, April 22

7:30 am Mike LaGessee (*Paula Czernik*)  
 12:00 pm † Rev. Rene Dionne (*Rose Marie Ferthing*)

### Thursday, April 23

7:30 am † Cheryl Hiles (*Fredrick Hiles*)

### Friday, April 24

7:30 am † George Faber (*Rose, David & Julie*)  
 12:00 pm Sr. Max (*JP2*)

### Saturday, April 25

8:00 am † Carey Ortman (*Pollett Family*)  
 4:30 pm † Jack Klasey (*Family*)  
 6:00 pm † Jesus Calderon (*Ester Avalos*)

### Sunday, April 26

8:00 am For the People of the Parish  
 9:30 am Tom & Donna Lamie - 60th Wedding Anniversary  
 (*Family*)  
 Jonathan Reyes (*Irma Tinajero*)  
 † Hollard Miller (*Dorothy Lemenager*)  
 11:30 am † George Faber (*Rose, David & Julie*)  
 1:00pm Para la gente de la Parroquia  
 3:00 pm Special Intention of the Alcorn Family (Azzarelli Family)  
 5:00 pm † Jack Klasey (*Sharon Jackson*)

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MINISTERIOS

	Saturday, April 25 Sábado, 25 de abril		Sunday, April 26 Domingo, 26 de abril				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30	1:00 pm	5:00 pm
<b>Lector</b>	Cindy McBarnes	Rogelio Benitez Norma Sanchez	David Palmer	Mary Simmons	Cynthia Somerville	Silvia Esparza Moises Jaimes	Rose Bailey
<b>Usher</b>	Rich McBarnes Karen Miller	Norma Sanchez Jennifer Sanchez Lucy Canales Anuel Duarte Erika Duarte	Brenda Lystila David Lystila <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Kathy Griffiths Sandy Kuntz Janice Shenk Mary Westover	Pedro Gonzalez Rosa Gonzalez Elida Ramirez Rick Ramirez	Lucy Canales Ricardo Esparza Maria de Jesus Garcia Octavio Garcia	Steve Kelley
<b>Sacristan</b>	Karen Miller	Luis E. Ayala Juana M. Lugo	Kathy Bessette	Deb Groth	Pedro Gonzalez	Lupita & Gabe Mendez	
<b>Comm. Minister</b>			Kathy Bessette <i>Catherine Langlois</i>	Judith Smead <i>Mickey Kreissler</i>		Kimberly Candelario Fidel Villagran <i>Silvia Esparza</i>	
<b>Altar Server</b>		Miguel Sanchez Michelle Tetlalmatz NOT FILLED		Julian Cortez Jayden Grabow Pedro Vazquez	Isabelle Ramirez Aaron Ramirez Damian Ramirez	Alexa Campos Avila Litzzy Campos Avila Aileen Diaz	Alexander Tapp
<b>Greeter</b>				Kathy Griffiths			

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

WEEKDAY MINISTER · MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA		
DATE	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
April 20-25	Rose Bailey	Linda Libby
Martes 21	Carlos Reyes	Antonio Serna Angelica Serna

**LINENS · LIENZOS**  
 Week of April 12 & 19: Marcia Klasey  
 Week of April 26 & May 3: Sandy Girard

**CCW Meeting for Parish Women**

Join us on **Monday, April 20th, at 6:30 PM** in Holy Family Hall. Our guest speaker, Ms. Dee Pinski (Kankakee Kultivators), will present a short presentation. Join us for fellowship and refreshments.

Habra una reunión de CCW para las mujeres de la parroquia Acompañenos el lunes 20 de abril a las 6:30 p. m. en el salón Holy Family. Nuestra invitada, la Sra. Dee Pinski (de Kankakee Kultivators), ofrecerá una breve charla. Acompañenos para compartir un rato de convivencia y refrescos.

### Spiritual Adoption Program



Here is what your 1 month spiritually adopted baby is doing right now. Your baby is most vulnerable during the next month of being aborted, so please keep praying!

Your spiritually adopted baby has been quite active over the past month.

Already your baby is 10,000 times bigger than at conception. Your baby has developed the foundations of his brain, spinal cord, and nervous system by the 20th day.

His heart began to beat on the 21st day and is pumping blood through its own circulatory system. The blood type can be different from his mother's.

Esto es lo que está haciendo ahora mismo tu bebé espiritualmente adoptado de un mes. Tu bebé es sumamente vulnerable ante el aborto durante este próximo mes, ¡así que, por favor, sigue rezando!

Tamaño: cerca de un 1/4 de pulgada. Comienza la fertilización de una nueva vida humana, que ya contiene su serie de ADN, o serie de cromosomas que están presentes desde el primer día de vida y son exclusivamente tuyas, y no cambiarán más. El sexo de esta persona pequeña también se determina desde el principio. Es durante este primer mes de vida tan sorprendente que el bebé crece 10,000 veces más grande que en el momento de su concepción. Su corazón comenzó a latir tres semanas



**Thank you to all of our parishioners who were able to donate healthy breakfast items. We were able to fill 28 Easter baskets, which were given to members of our community who visited the Food Pantry on Good Friday!**  
 ~ Young on Fire Ministry



# Join Us

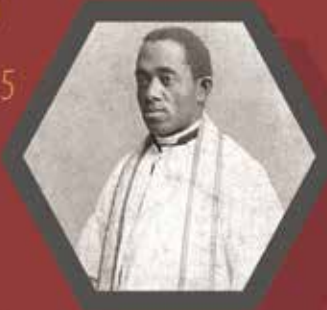
For a presentation on the cause for the canonization of Venerable

**Augustus Tolton**

6:30-8 pm, Tuesday, May 5  
at the Cathedral of  
St. Raymond Nonnatus

604 N. Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL 60435  
Parish Commons - Door 26

Join **Bishop Perry** from the Archdiocese of Chicago for his presentation on the cause for the canonization of Father Augustus Tolton



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For more information, contact [blackcatholicministry@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:blackcatholicministry@dioceseofjoliet.org)

# Plan Today for Peace of Mind Tomorrow

It's difficult to think about, but pre-planning your Catholic cemetery arrangements today protects your family from the heartbreak and financial worry of having to make these decisions tomorrow.

Look for special savings in your mailbox soon and visit [diojoliet.org/cemeteries](http://diojoliet.org/cemeteries) for more details.

We're here to help!



Renovación Carismática Católica Hispana - Diócesis de Joliet

# VIGILIA DE PENTECOSTÉS! 2026

"Todos quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo"  
-Hechos 2:4

Invitados:



Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, STNSJ  
Monterrey, Mexico



Ministerio de Música  
GENESIS

**Sábado-Mayo 23, 2026**

Parroquia San Mateo  
1555 Glen Ellyn Rd.  
Glendale Heights IL 60139

**7:00PM-2:00AM**

¡Habrá Santa Misa, predicaciones, alabanza y efusión del Espíritu Santo!

Ven espíritu santo! ¡Te esperamos!

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Renovación Carismática Católica Hispana - Diócesis de Joliet & Grupo Juvenil RUAH te invita!

**MAYO  
29-31  
2026**



Seminario:

# Vida en El Espíritu Santo Juvenil!

"Derramare mi espíritu sobre toda la humanidad" -Hechos 2:17

Inicia: Mayo 29 @5:00 PM / Termina: Mayo 31 @4:00 PM

Para Jóvenes: 18+ años  
(hombres y mujeres solter@s)

Donación: \$160/persona  
Incluye: Comidas, hospedaje y material

Our Lady of the Angels-Retreat Ministry  
13820 Main Street, Lemont, IL 60439

Para más información: Nicolás Ríos (815) 793-7635 o Cristian López (630) 301-8237

RUAH Grupo Juvenil / RCCH-Joliet



# OUTREACH MINISTRIES

East Campus - 341 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

**Outreach Coordinator:** Teri O'Connor 815-693-9152 [occonnor.teri@gmail.com](mailto:occonnor.teri@gmail.com)  
**Azzarelli Clinic Main** Ext. 414 [azzarelliclinic@yahoo.com](mailto:azzarelliclinic@yahoo.com)  
**Azzarelli Clinic Director:** Brooke Futterer Ext. 416 [bfutterer@jp2kankakee.org](mailto:bfutterer@jp2kankakee.org)  
**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

## KANKAKEE CATHOLIC FOOD PANTRY

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),  
by mail: Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry  
956 S. 10th Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

## Azzarelli Outreach Medical Clinic

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



**- Please call for an appointment -**

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

*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



## Collecting Spring Gently Used Adult Clothing

Lisieux Outreach Center  
Our Shepherd's Clothing Closet  
3371 N St Joseph Ave Kankakee

Tuesdays and Fridays  
April 7th to May 1st  
9-11am

## DONATE YOUR EMPTY PRESCRIPTION BOTTLES



Help the **Azzarelli Outreach Clinic** safely distribute medication to people in need.

**We reuse clean bottles** to package medications for patients who cannot afford pharmacy supplies.

- ✓ Wash bottles
- ✓ Remove personal labels
- ✓ Drop them in the **donation box**

**Drop-off box located in the back of the church**

Thank you for helping our community!

# FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Vespers & Benediction - Sunday - 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Vespers, consisting of praying with psalms and scripture. Ending with Benediction with the 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  
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
- † 2do Sábado: Hora Santa de La Divina Misericordia, después de misa de 6:00 pm.

## UNVEILING THE TRUTH BIBLE STUDY

OLD TESTAMENT:  
Fr. Roy Jacob CMI

NEW TESTAMENT:  
Deacon George Arocha

IN PERSON: Tuesdays from  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
In the Conference Room



JOHN PAUL II  
CATHOLIC PARISH  
*Rosary Group*  
— TUESDAYS —  
at 10:00 a.m. in Church



CATHOLIC  
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community

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Please contact Cathy Langlois with any question at  
815-545-2184 / Email: cathyslanglois@gmail.com

## Seeking a Deeper Spiritual Life?



Order of Carmelites

Prayerfully consider attending a Lay Carmelite Community meeting.

Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 9:00 am  
JP2 Conference Room

All are Welcome!!

For More Info Call/Text Theresa Doehring at  
815-592-1181

## Words of Wisdom Book Club

Season 9 - Session #9

Friday, May 8th,  
at 6:00 pm

Conference Room

Book selection:

The Hermit

By Kevin Wells

For more information call: Laurie Mau 815-933-8859

## - GIFT -

Spring 2026

Thursday, April 2

6:30 pm (Conference Room)

The Chosen - Season 5

Come watch and discuss from a  
Catholic Perspective

Episode 5: "Because of Me"



## Rosary Making

Fabricación de Rosarios

Monday, April 20

Lunes, 20 de abril

5:30 - 7:00 pm

JP2 Conference Room

For Questions Call:

Deb Groth at 815-263-1675

Saturday, April 25

Sábado, 25 de abril

8:30 - 10:00 am

## St. John Paul II Parish: Men of Saint Joseph

"Men determined to grow in faith, discipline, self-sacrifice, integrity, and courage"

Meets every-other Saturday 6:30 A.M. -8:00 A.M.

Parish Conference Room

(Next to the Angel Room)

Join us for study and discussion of faith, family,  
the Church, the Saints, and more.

Meeting Dates - Every other Saturday:

April 25, May 9 & 23, June 6 & 20, July 18,

August 1 & 15 & 29, September 12 & 26,

October 10 & 24



## Prayer Shawel

MINISTERIO MANTO DE ORACIÓN



Every Friday / Cada Viernes

10:00 am

Settles Center Coat Room

En el salón del gimnasio

# IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

## Spring into New Life: Come to the Garden

Leaders:

**Susan Amann,  
Sr. Linda Hatton, sscm, &  
Sr. Evelyn Varboncoeur, sscm**

**GATHERING:**

Friday, May 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

**THROUGH:**

Sunday, May 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

**WHERE:**

Nazareth Spirituality Center  
717 N. Batavia Ave  
Batavia, IL 60510

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