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Parish

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The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18, 2020



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“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar,
and to God what belongs to God.” — *Matthew 22:21*

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"Tenderness is love that draws near and becomes real. A movement that starts from our heart and reaches the eyes, the ears and the hands. Tenderness is the path of choice for the strongest, most courageous men and women."

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- Pope Francis @ Pontifex

Mass Intentions

Monday – 9:00 a.m.	October 19, 2020 Joseph E. Tierney – (SMI CCW)
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m.	October 20, 2020 Ronald Popernik – Living Intention – (Marielena Lavoie) Tim Oberg – (Sheehan Family) Maria de Jesus Gastan – (Maria Garcia) Nancy Finnium – Living Intention – (Son)
Wednesday – 9:00 a.m.	October 21, 2020 Kathleen Boreham – (Friends & Family)
Thursday – 9:00 a.m.	October 22, 2020 Jayden Ryan Sherman – Birthday Remembrance – (Family) Lowell Hatfield – (Mark & Nancy Finnium) Janina Madej – (Anna Taylor)
Friday – 9:00 a.m.	October 23, 2020 Charlotte Glavan – (Friends & Family)
Saturday – 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. (Parking Lot)	October 24, 2020 Carol Chamberlain – (Mark & Nancy Finnium) Joseph Bacani – (Joshua, Ellie & Claire)
Sunday – 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Spanish) 12:45 p.m. (Polish)	October 25, 2020 Richard Schroeder – (Family) People of the Parish Hilda Chavez-Aguilar – (Chavez-Aguilar Family) Jan & Danuta – Wedding Anniversary



CMAA Pledge Report for St. Mary Immaculate Parish As of October 11, 2020

	2020	2019
Goal:	\$231,500	\$221,300
Amount Pledged:	\$179,960	\$210,003
Amount Paid:	\$155,915	\$176,391
Amount Due:	\$24,045	\$33,611
Number of Donors:	757	862

Those of you that have pledged, please make your payments to the CMAA in a timely fashion. The Diocese of Joliet is counting on your support.

Readings for the Week

Sunday	Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21
Monday	Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday	Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday	Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday	Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53
Friday	Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday	Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday	Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40



The Word from Fr. Pat / La Palabra del Padre Pat / Słowo od Ojca Pat

*We give thanks to God always for all of you,
remembering you in our prayers,
unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love...
1 Thessalonians 1:2-3*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One of the great joys for me as a pastor is to see the community come together to help those in need, to teach children or those entering our faith, or to accomplish some other task together. It's particularly enriching when I see these things happen with joy, and even with amazement at what is being accomplished. When that happens, it's clear to me that the Holy Spirit is active in the community.

I've seen that happen in so many ways during my time at Saint Mary's: The formation of our parish council, almost two years old now; the incredible work of volunteers who man the food trucks we have been sponsoring; the awesome work of our school and religious education programs; the open response to our adult faith formation programs; the participation in daily and Sunday Mass, and especially all the many volunteers who have been working with us in this crazy time; the dedicated work of those who serve the sick; the wonderful work of our Saint Anne's Sewing Circle who have made countless masks available during this time – and those are just scratching the surface! So many times I have taken a look at things that have been accomplished at Saint Mary's or through Saint Mary's and marveled at the work of the Holy Spirit and so many giving parishioners, staff members, and leaders. I do give thanks for that every day, and remember all of you in my prayers, so I know something of the joy that Saint Paul speaks of in today's second reading.

This is our time of stewardship renewal here at Saint Mary's, and as good as all of this wonderful work is, it still could be more. Almost every ministry needs some additional help. I invite all of us to take a look at our time and talent offerings. What are we doing to build the kingdom of God here in our community? Is there more we can do? Some of the real vital needs are these:

- Being the welcoming face of our parish to newcomers, visitors, and regulars by helping as a volunteer at Mass.
- Singing as a cantor or participating in our music ministry.
- Passing on the faith by volunteering in our religious education, Confirmation, and youth ministry programs.
- Preparing parents for the baptism of their child by being part of our Baptism Ministry.
- Preparing newly-engaged couples for marriage.

These are among the real, on-going needs of our community, and your hour or two here and there can make a huge difference. As I've said before, we don't necessarily need one person to put in 80 hours, but if we had 80 people to put in an hour or even two, that would be something great.

Everyone can do something. Even those home-bound can promise to pray for people in need, or the success of our ministries, or the needs of our world. Those who are extremely busy can get involved in small projects that happen once in a while and require a little time here and there. God is good: he gives us what we need to do what he has asked. God is calling you today. What is he calling you to do, and how will you respond?

Yours in Christ and His Blessed Mother,
Father Pat Mulcahy, Pastor



The Word from Fr. Pat / La Palabra del Padre Pat / Słowo od Ojca Pat

*En todo momento los tenemos presentes,
en nuestras oraciones y damos gracias sin cesar a Dios
por ustedes, por su fe que produce frutos, ...
1 tesalonicenses 1: 2-3*

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:

Una de las grandes alegrías para mí como pastor es ver a la comunidad unirse para ayudar a los necesitados, para enseñar a los niños o aquellos que entran en nuestra fe, o para realizar alguna otra tarea juntos. Es particularmente enriquecedor cuando veo que estas cosas suceden con alegría, e incluso con asombro por lo que se está logrando. Cuando eso sucede, me queda claro que el Espíritu Santo está activo en la comunidad.

He visto que eso sucede de muchas maneras durante mi tiempo en Saint Mary's: la formación de nuestro consejo parroquial, que ya tiene casi dos años; el increíble trabajo de los voluntarios que trabajan la despensa móvil que hemos estado patrocinando; el asombroso trabajo de nuestra escuela y programas de educación religiosa; la respuesta abierta a nuestros programas de formación en la fe para adultos; la participación en la misa diaria y dominical, y especialmente a todos los muchos voluntarios que han estado trabajando con nosotros en este tiempo loco; el trabajo dedicado de los que sirven a los enfermos; el maravilloso trabajo de nuestro Ministerio de Costura de Santa Ana que ha puesto a disposición innumerables cubre-bocas durante este tiempo y esos es solo por mencionar algunos. Muchas veces he echado un vistazo a las cosas que se han logrado en Saint Mary's o a través de Saint Mary's y me he maravillado de la obra del Espíritu Santo y de tantos feligreses, miembros del personal y líderes generosos. Doy gracias por eso todos los días, y los recuerdo a todos en mis oraciones, así que sé algo de la alegría de la que habla San Pablo en la segunda lectura de hoy.

Este es nuestro momento de renovación de la corresponsabilidad aquí en Saint Mary's, y por muy bueno que sea todo este maravilloso trabajo, aún podría ser más. Casi todos los ministerios necesitan ayuda adicional. Los invito a todos a echar un vistazo a nuestro aporte de tiempo y talento. ¿Qué estamos haciendo para construir el reino de Dios aquí en nuestra comunidad? ¿Podemos hacer más? Algunas de las necesidades vitales reales son estas:

- Ser el rostro acogedor de nuestra parroquia para los recién llegados, visitantes y feligreses habituales al ayudar como voluntario en la misa.
- Cantar como cantor o participar en nuestro ministerio de música.
- Transmitir la fe como voluntario en nuestros programas de educación religiosa, Confirmación y pastoral juvenil.
- Preparar a los padres para el bautismo de sus hijos al ser parte de nuestro Ministerio de Bautismo.
- Preparar a las parejas recién comprometidas para el matrimonio.

Estas son algunas de las necesidades reales y continuas de nuestra comunidad, y una hora o dos aquí y allá pueden hacer una gran diferencia. Como he dicho antes, no necesitamos necesariamente que una persona dedique 80 horas, pero si tuviéramos 80 personas para dedicar una hora o incluso dos, sería algo grandioso.

Todos pueden hacer algo. Incluso aquellos que no pueden salir de casa pueden prometer orar por las personas necesitadas, o por el éxito de nuestros ministerios o por las necesidades de nuestro mundo. Aquellos que están extremadamente ocupados pueden involucrarse en pequeños proyectos que ocurren de vez en cuando y requieren un poco de tiempo aquí y allá. Dios es bueno: nos da lo que necesitamos para hacer lo que nos ha pedido. Dios te está llamando hoy. ¿Qué te está llamando a hacer y cómo responderás?

Suyo en Cristo y Su Santísima Madre,
Padre Pat Mulcahy, Parroco



The Word from Fr. Pat / La Palabra del Padre Pat / Słowo od Ojca Pat

*Zawsze dziękujemy Bogu za was wszystkich,
pamiętając o Tobie w naszych modlitwach,
nieustannie przypominając sobie dzieło wiary i trud miłości ...*
1 Tesaloniczan 1: 2-3

Drodzy Bracia i Siostry w Chrystusie,

Jedną z wielkich radości dla mnie jako pastora jest obserwowanie wspólnoty, która gromadzi się, aby pomóc potrzebującym, aby uczyć dzieci lub osoby, które przyjęły naszą wiarę, lub aby wspólnie wykonać inne zadanie. Jest to szczególnie wzbogacające, gdy widzę, jak te rzeczy dzieją się z radością, a nawet ze zdumieniem nad tym, co się dzieje. Kiedy to się dzieje, jest dla mnie jasne, że Duch Święty działa we wspólnocie.

Widziałem, jak działo się to na wiele sposobów podczas mojego pobytu w Saint Mary's: powstanie naszej rady parafialnej, która ma już prawie dwa lata; niesamowita praca wolontariuszy obsługujących wózki spożywcze, które sponsorowaliśmy; niesamowita praca naszej szkoły i programów nauczania religii; otwartą odpowiedź na nasze programy formacji wiary dorosłych; uczestnictwo w codziennej i niedzielnej Mszy św., a szczególnie wielu wolontariuszy, którzy pracowali z nami w tym szalonym czasie; oddana praca tych, którzy służą chorym; wspaniała praca naszego Koła Szycia Świętej Anny, która w tym czasie udostępniła niezliczone maski - a one tylko drapią powierzchnię! Tak wiele razy patrzyłem na rzeczy, które zostały dokonane w Najświętszej Marii Panny lub za pośrednictwem Najświętszej Marii Panny i podziwiałem dzieło Ducha Świętego i tak wielu ofiarowujących parafian, pracowników i liderów. Dziękuję za to każdego dnia i wspominam was wszystkich w moich modlitwach, więc wiem trochę o radości, o której mówi św. Paweł w dzisiejszym drugim czytaniu.

To jest nasz czas odnowienia szafarstwa tutaj, u Bazyliki Najświętszej Marii Panny, i choć całe to wspaniałe dzieło jest dobre, może być jeszcze więcej. Prawie każda służba potrzebuje dodatkowej pomocy. Zapraszam nas wszystkich do przyjrzenia się naszej ofercie czasu i talentów. Co robimy, aby budować królestwo Boże tutaj w naszej społeczności? Czy możemy zrobić więcej? Oto niektóre z najważniejszych potrzeb:

- Bycie gościnną twarzą naszej parafii dla nowo przybyłych, gości i stałych bywalców poprzez pomoc jako wolontariusz na Mszy św.
- Śpiewanie jako kantor lub udział w naszej posłudze muzycznej.
- Przekazywanie wiary poprzez wolontariat w naszych programach edukacji religijnej, bierzmowania i duszpasterstwa młodzieży.
- Przygotowanie rodziców do chrztu ich dziecka poprzez udział w naszej służbie chrztu.
- Przygotowanie nowo zaręczonych par do małżeństwa.

Są to jedne z rzeczywistych, bieżących potrzeb naszej społeczności, a Twoja godzina lub dwie tu i tam mogą mieć ogromne znaczenie. Jak powiedziałem wcześniej, niekoniecznie potrzebujemy jednej osoby do spędzenia 80 godzin, ale gdybyśmy mieli 80 osób w ciągu godziny lub nawet dwóch, byłoby to coś wspaniałego.

Każdy może coś zrobić. Nawet ci, którzy są w domu, mogą obiecać modlić się za ludzi w potrzebie, o powodzenie naszej służby lub o potrzeby naszego świata. Ci, którzy są bardzo zajęci, mogą zaangażować się w małe projekty, które zdarzają się od czasu do czasu i wymagają trochę czasu tu i tam. Bóg jest dobry: daje nam to, czego potrzebujemy, abyśmy zrobili to, o co poprosił. Bóg cię dzisiaj wzywa. Do czego cię wzywa i jak odpowiesz?

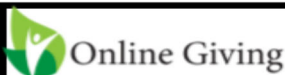
Wasz w Chrystusie i Jego Najświętszej Matce,
Ojciec Pat Mulcahy, pastor

Our Family in Faith

Ways to Give to St. Mary Immaculate Parish

St Mary Immaculate Parish appreciates the generosity of its families. Beside the standard envelopes that could be mailed to you, we provide you three (3) different ways you can sign up to give automatically.

- 1) **Online Giving** program through Our Sunday Visitor. You set your own login and password and control what offertory collections you wish to contribute to and when. (box on the lower right details all our standard collections) You also have the ability to log-in anytime and change the dollar amount and dates.



To sign up, go to the parish website at www.smip.org, scroll down and click on this icon on the left side and follow the simple instructions to set up your own account and choose any/all funds for which the parish has envelopes. The URL is <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1206>

- 2) **Credit Card Authorization Program** is controlled by the Parish Office. You select the amount and offertory collections you wish to give to and amounts are charged to your credit card on the 5th and/or 20th of each month. Simply notify the Parish Office if you need to make a change.
- 3) **Automatic Withdrawal Program** is controlled by the Parish Office. You select the amount and offertory collections you wish to give to and amounts are deducted from your checking or savings account on the 5th and/or 20th of each month. Simply notify the Parish Office if you need to make a change.

These electronic giving options have been designed to help parishioners consistently support the offertory. If you choose option 2 or 3, please return this form to the parish office via the collection basket, mail or email.

St. Mary Immaculate Parish Office Questions? Call Denise directly at 815-436-2651x846 or drowan@smip.org
Attention: Denise Rowan, 15629 S. Route 59, Plainfield, Illinois 60544

Credit Card Authorization Program

Name: _____

Address: _____

Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

I authorize St. Mary Immaculate Parish to withdraw funds from the above referenced account as noted in the detailed Offertory section of this form.

All deductions remain in effect until further instructions provided to the Parish Finance Office.

Automatic Withdrawal Program

Name: _____

Address: _____

Bank Name: _____

Routing Number: _____

Account Number: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

I authorize St. Mary Immaculate Parish to withdraw funds from the above referenced account as noted in the detailed Offertory section of this form.

All deductions remain in effect until further instructions provided to the Parish Finance Office.

Detailed Offertory:

Circle one or both

Sunday Offering	_____	5th and/or 20th
Mortgage	_____	5th and/or 20th
Giving Tree	_____	Nov 5th 20th
Our Lady of Guadalupe	_____	Dec 5th 20th

Holydays:

Christmas	_____	Dec 5th 20th
Christmas Flowers	_____	Dec 5th 20th
Solemnity of Mary	_____	Jan 5th 20th
Ash Wednesday	_____	Feb 5th 20th
Holy Thursday	_____	Apr 5th 20th
Good Friday	_____	Apr 5th 20th
Easter Sunday	_____	Apr 5th 20th
Easter Flowers	_____	Apr 5th 20th
Ascension	_____	May 5th 20th
Assumption	_____	Aug 5th 20th
Immaculate Conception	_____	Dec 5th 20th
All Saints	_____	Nov 5th 20th
All Souls	_____	Nov 5th 20th
Thanksgiving	_____	Nov 5th 20th

Diocesan Collections:

Latin America	_____	Jan 5th 20th
Catholic Relief Services	_____	Mar 5th 20th
Catholic Home Missions	_____	Apr 5th 20th
DOJ Infirm & Retired Priests	_____	June 5th 20th
Peter's Pence	_____	July 5th 20th
Christ is Our Hope Magazine	_____	Sept 5th 20th
World Missions	_____	Oct 5th 20th
Campaign for Human Dev.	_____	Nov 5th 20th
Retired Religious	_____	Dec 5th 20th

These detailed offertory choices apply to all automatic giving options.

Gifts of Appreciated Securities

Donating appreciated securities offers considerable tax advantages. Donors can deduct the current market value of a stock donation on the date of the gift and do not have to recognize the income from any related appreciation of the securities. To make a stock donation, instruct your broker to transfer the shares you wish to contribute to the Diocese of Joliet's account with Stofan, Agazzi and Co., Inc. Your broker will need to know the Diocese's DTC #0141 and the Diocesan Account #2496-9663. Donors are strongly encouraged to notify the diocese by calling 815-221-6192 on or around the date of such a gift and provide your name, the company name of the stock and the number of shares to be transferred so that the donation can be quickly processed and properly credited to St. Mary Immaculate Parish.

IRA Charitable Rollover

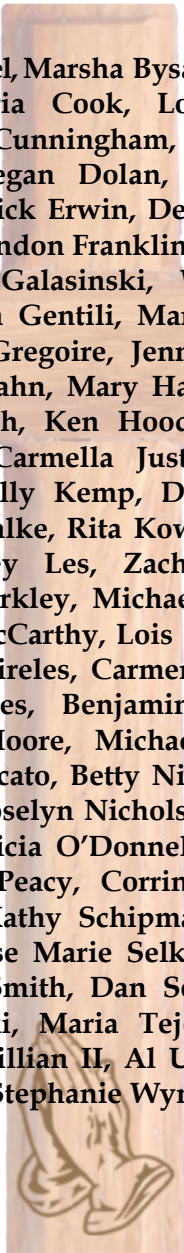
For donors 70-1/2 or older, a charitable gift of up to \$100,000 (\$200,000 for married couples) can be made from your IRA account tax free for federal income tax purposes. The gift must come from a traditional or Roth IRA and be transferred directly from your IRA to St. Mary Immaculate Parish in order to be tax-free. The amount donated will count toward your minimum required distribution and does not increase your taxable income.

Bequest Intentions

Donors who wish to leave some portion of their estate to support St. Mary Immaculate Parish are encouraged to have their attorney or estate planning professional include specific language in their will that identifies the charitable beneficiary as St. Mary Immaculate Parish. Donors choosing this philanthropic option are encouraged to notify the Pastor or the business office of their intention so that their generosity may be acknowledged.

Please remember the sick and the confined of our parish community, especially...

John Arduino, Baby Ariel, Marsha Bysak, Frank Carino Jr., Luz Contreras, Gloria Cook, Lois Costablile, Pat Cremeens, Patricia Cunningham, Lynette Dattomo, Mary Dickerson, Megan Dolan, Maureen Dranger, Alexander Dynako, Rick Erwin, Deborah Fadden, Jean Fiaoni, Sue Flynn, Brandon Franklin, Dana Freund, Paul Gadowski, Frances Galasinski, Wayne Galasinski, Margaret Gee, Steven Gentili, Mary Lou Gist, Avery Gladkowski, Janice Gregoire, Jennifer Grimm, Mark Gualberto, Donald Hahn, Mary Hanna, Erinn Heines, Matt Hoch, Sue Hoch, Ken Hood, Pat Hood, Chris Jalove, Joe Jonish, Carmella Justice, Grant Justice, Michael J. Kelly, Kelly Kemp, Derek Khan, Donna Knight, Colleen Kowalke, Rita Kowalski, Lenita Krall, Lucille Lamb, Jeffrey Les, Zachary Loeffler, Rita Maksimik, Diane Markley, Michael Mardula, Shirley McBride, Margaret McCarthy, Lois McGowan, Gregory Mendoza, Amparo Mireles, Carmen Mireles, Elena A. Mireles, Raul Mireles, Benjamin Mollandin, Erik Mollandin, Kevin Moore, Michael Moravec, Wally Moskwa, Cheryl Muscato, Betty Nichols, Bob Nichols, Bobby Nichols, Sr. Roselyn Nichols, Lawrence Nonnie, Steve Obremski, Patricia O'Donnell, Maria T. Olvera, Ella Page, Siobhan Peacy, Corrine Pieroni, Willard Pisto, Joel Rivera, Kathy Schipman, Cathy Schuller, Hayley Schwartz, Rose Marie Selke, Mya Singh, Tim Slayman, Roseanne Smith, Dan Sochan, Stevie Lynn Stock, John Szklarski, Maria Tejeda-Ortega, Gerard Titchenal, Bruce Trevillian II, Al Urban, Keith Urban, Aurora Vargas-Rubi, Stephanie Wyman, Florian (Butch) Zimecki



If you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer cross, please contact Pat Mander, Pastoral Minister at 815-436-2651 ext 893.



Please keep:
Jose Batiller
Robert O'Conner
and their families in your prayers.

In Memoriam

Lighting Prayer Intention Candles



For your donation of \$3.00, we will physically light one of the candles near the Adoration chapel for your intention and add your intention to a list in the online bulletin.

To request a prayer intention and make your donation, please go to smip.org/candles

In Honor Of: Intentions:

Carl Goettert

Going through
alcoholic rehab

Campus Hours



Staff is working on campus in a limited capacity. We welcome visitors into the parish building during the week, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., **by appointment only**. In keeping with the state's and diocese's current guidelines, we ask that any questions or requests that can be handled by phone or email, continue to be handled in that manner. Items such as registration forms or donations can be left in our drop box in front of the Commons doors.

All visitors must wear a face mask and check in with the Commons Receptionist.

Our Family in Faith



Congratulations to the Newly Baptized...



JONATHAN JAY FEMINIS

Son of Christopher & Alyson (Shelton) Feminis

GEORGE EDWARD KMETTY V

Son of George & Sarah (Jenkins) Kmetty

JULIAN ROBERT MINIUK

Son of John & Agnes (Mlodzik) Miniuk

SHARENY PENA-GALLEGOS

Daughter of Julio & Brenda (Gallegos) Peña

VALERIE ALEJANDRA SERNA

Daughter of Antonio Serna & Viviana Cintora

Welcome to Our New Parishioners

John & Carrie Clarey
Joliet, IL

Araceli Contreras
Plainfield, IL

Christopher Jadzak & Kristi Kalman
Plainfield, IL

Bartłomiej & Edyta Kowalczyk
Plainfield, IL

Victor & Mary Loffredi
Plainfield, IL

Kathleen Lozano Musil
Plainfield, IL

Edgar & Berenice Navarro
Plainfield, IL

Stephen & Vanessa Tulley
Plainfield, IL

8 new households have registered at St. Mary Immaculate since October 11, 2020.

Attention Parishioners ...

In-person Mass attendance has been expended from 150 to **200 people**.

That includes 7:30 AM and 9:15 AM Masses in English, 11:00 AM Mass in Spanish and the 12:45 PM Mass in Polish.

Effective immediately, you no longer have to wait two months to attend Mass. We ask that you be charitable and only sign up if you will be attending. If you have to cancel for whatever reason, please go back to the ticketing website (even the morning of Mass) and cancel your reservation. This will allow other parishioners the ability to attend when you cannot.



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Calling One - Calling All

We are still in need of volunteers to help with our liturgies. We need greeters, ushers, and people to help with setup, cleaning and sanitizing. We will need volunteers for:

- Daily Mass (Monday through Saturday)
- Parking Lot Mass (Saturday)
- Sunday Masses
- Reconciliation (Saturday)
- Baptisms (Weekends)
- Funerals (Monday through Saturday)
- Weddings (Friday or Saturday typically)

If you are able, feel comfortable volunteering and it is ok with your Doctor, all those interested in volunteering are welcome to go to the following link and fill out the form: <https://smip.org/volunteer-form>



What's Holding You Back From Jesus?

Do you feel like something has been missing in your life since the COVID-19 pandemic forced us to stay home? Are you still staying away from attending Mass because it is more convenient to live stream than drive to church? Have you been on vacation, out to dinner, visited family or friends but still think it is unsafe to attend Mass? We have been safely hosting in person Masses since June 7th and are now up to 200 people per Sunday Mass and 50 persons for Daily Mass. I realize some are still worried about health concerns, and that is legitimate. However, if you are doing other things safely why haven't you returned to worshipping Jesus in person? Sunday Masses are offered at 7:30 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. in English, 11:00 a.m. in Spanish and 12:45 p.m. in Polish. Go to the parish website and click on the link under the Mass time that reads GET MASS TICKETS. Many of our parishioners that are returning to Mass say they feel great consolation to be back home and receive Jesus in the blessed sacrament. Why not come back to Mass?

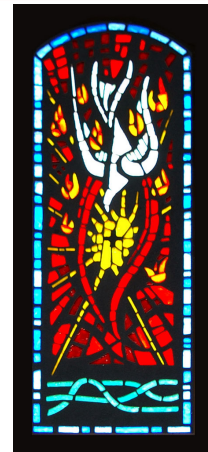
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- Oct. 19: Class for Year 2 RE students with their mentors, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
- Oct. 22: Class for Year 1 RE students with their mentors, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
- Oct. 25: High School Online Class.
- Oct. 26: Parent Teen Class. Recorded session link emailed to families.

You can reach us at 815-436-2861 and via email at gwurster@smip.org

www.smip.org/confirmation



Reverence for Life Memorial Crosses for the Unborn

Now through **October 31st**, 330 crosses will be on display on the parkway on Route 59 in front of St. Mary Immaculate Church. Each cross represents 10 babies killed by abortion in our country each day. Please pray for the babies lost through abortion and for their mothers.

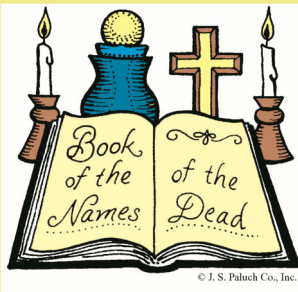
Please join us to pray the "Rosary for Life" at the crosses at 2:00 p.m. on the following Sundays: October 18th and 25th. *To help ensure everyone's safety, please bring your own chair and wear a face mask. We will also be sure to keep ourselves socially distanced.*

Our witness will make many people who pass by see the effects of abortion in our country. Each baby is created in the image and likeness of God with a soul.

Blessed Mother Mary, intercede for us to save the unborn and guide all mothers.

For more information, please text Don Hrdlicka at 630-415-6603 or send an email message to pharmdon@hotmail.com.

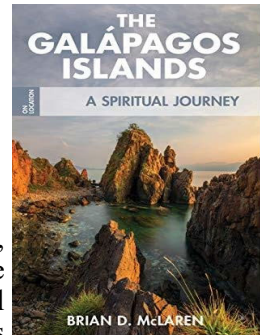




All Souls Day Book of the Dead

All Souls Day is Monday, November 2, 2020. Add your deceased loved one's name to our online version of our Book of the Dead so your loved one can be prayed for. Simply go to www.smip.org/botd and enter your loved one's name.

Join us for a Book Discussion of: The Galapagos Islands: A Spiritual Journey By: Brian D. McLaren



Bestselling author Brian D. McLaren followed his love of nature (specifically, tortoises) all the way to the Galapagos Islands. There, he paid close attention to the flora and fauna around him but also to what was happening within him, how the natural world awakened his soul in a way that organized religion could not. McLaren's descriptions of birds and reptiles, fish and flowers sing; he walks in the footsteps of Charles Darwin and grieves that Darwin has been demonized by his fellow Christians; and he reflects on how his own faith has evolved in the years since he left the pastorate.

McLaren writes in the spirit of Aldo Leopold and Wendell Berry, weaving together the spiritual and the material. Even though most readers will never visit the Galapagos Islands, they can travel with McLaren and experience the beauty and fragility of this extraordinary place.

Nov. 17 @ 7pm via ZOOM.

Please email Dr. Doug Muir at dmuir@smip.org to receive the Zoom meeting ID and password.

2020 Giving Tree Ministry at St. Mary Immaculate is COMING SOON!!!

Due to COVID 19 this year the Giving Tree Ministry had to come up with an alternative plan to still bring holiday gifts and the joy of the season to families and individuals in need. In coming up with our plan, we felt our main priority is to keep everyone involved safe and healthy.

This year we will be using a signup procedure to adopt an individual or family. Other ways of helping include a donation through the green envelopes or by donating gift cards.

Please watch for more details in the next coming weeks in your bulletin or through mass announcements.

If you have any questions regarding Giving Tree, please feel free to contact Robin Contreras- 815-814-8457.



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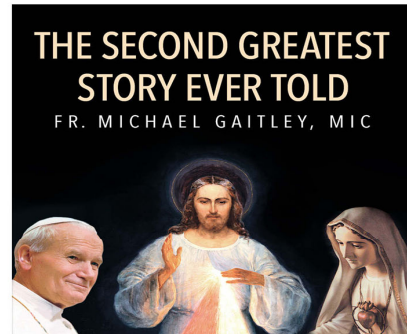
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October 18, 2020

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Peticiones por La Vida

Que la vida de cada persona, desde la concepción a la muerte natural, sea protegida en nuestras leyes y atesorada en nuestro corazón;

Roguemos al Señor



Word of Life

“We are called to reverence and love every human person as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us. *The Gospel of Life* teaches us that ‘the task of accepting and serving life involves everyone; and this task must be fulfilled above all towards life when it is at its weakest’” (EV 43).

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- USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Serving Moms in Need: Living the Gospel of Life” respectlife.org/serving-moms-in-need



Palabra de Vida

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- Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB “Camina con madres necesitadas: Vive el Evangelio de la Vida”.



Christians everywhere are asked to unite in prayer for the 2020 intentions entrusted to us by Pope Francis. Apostles of Prayer offer themselves to God each day for the good of the world, the Church, one another, and the Holy Father's Intentions.



Pope Francis's monthly prayer intention for October 2020:

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Suggested Daily Prayer:

Father, Here I am. I know you are always with me. I place my heart in the Heart of your Son Jesus, who gives himself to us in the Eucharist each day. May your Holy Spirit strengthen me to live the Gospel in everything I do and say. For my part I give you this day—all my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings—all I am and possess. With Mary, Mother of the Church, I pray for the mission of the Church, for all Apostles of Prayer, and for the intentions of the Pope this month Amen.

Nazareth Academy Open-House October 25 & 26

Prospective students and families are encouraged to Discover Nazareth Academy at an In-Person Open House. Visit on Sunday, October 25 or Monday, October 26, 2020. Attending an Open House provides students and parents with an opportunity to learn all about the Scholarship, Service, Spirit and Unity of Nazareth Academy. Families will meet Nazareth students, faculty and staff. Guided tours of the building are provided.

Tours will be offered Sunday at Noon and 1 p.m. and Monday at 6 and 7 p.m.

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at 1pm and again at 7pm on these dates:

DATES

Sept 21, 2020
Oct 19, 2020
Nov 16, 2020
Dec 21, 2020
Jan 18, 2021
Feb 22, 2021
Mar 22, 2021
Apr 19, 2021
May 17, 2021
Jun 21, 2021
Jul 19, 2021
Aug 16, 2021

SESSION TOPICS

Staying Engaged, Keeping Them Engaged
The Spirituality of Asking For and Receiving Help
Staying Organized and Preparing for What's Next
A Season for Everything – The Ebbs and the Flows
The Realities of Stress and Learning to Cope
The Thing About Compassion
One is Enough! Learning to Live One Day at a Time
Walking with Christ, Nourished by Grace
End of Life, Planning for and Making Decisions
Roles in Caregiving and the Decisions We Face
More in Music – Where Words Fail, Music Speaks
Speak Up! Overcoming the Challenges of Advocacy

For more information and to register, call:

Susan Amann at 815.348.9871 -OR- Ruth Barber at 815.405.4553

JOB OPENINGS:

St. Joseph School and Parish - Downers Grove, IL

St. Joseph School and Parish in Downers Grove, IL is seeking to hire a part-time Network and Hardware Administrator. St. Joseph school has 24 classrooms and 380+ students and 32 school employees. The parish offices and church have 14 employees.

Candidates must demonstrate the ability to write and communicate clearly to teachers, students, parents and staff; keep network, software, and hardware settings documented as changes are made; be flexible with work hours—certain times of the year call for more attention than others; be flexible with time—some work must be performed after-hours and on-call status—issues happen on nights and weekends; be on-site daily—while some items can be done remotely, this position primarily requires daily M-F on-site presence.

Please contact Rita Stasi at rstasi@sjsdg.org or 630-969-4306.

St. Joseph School and Parish in Downers Grove, IL is also seeking to hire a part-time Software Administrator. St. Joseph school has 24 classrooms and 380+ students and 32 school employees. The parish offices and church have 14 employees.

Candidates must demonstrate the ability to write and communicate clearly to teachers, students, parents and staff; keep network, software, and hardware settings documented as changes are made; be flexible with work hours—certain times of the year call for more attention than others; be flexible with time—some work must be performed after-hours and on-call status—issues happen on nights and weekends; be on-site several days per week—while some items can be done remotely, this position primarily requires on-site presence several days per week; flexible work hours.

Please contact Rita Stasi at rstasi@sjsdg.org or 630-969-4306.

Sacred Heart Parish - Lombard, IL

Sacred Heart Parish in Lombard, IL is seeking to hire an office Administrator/Receptionist. This person will be responsible for staffing the front desk, answering phones and the main door, maintaining sacramental and parishioner records, gathering information for upcoming sacramentals, secretarial assistance for the pastor and parish ministries, managing the parish calendar, and preparing the parish bulletin. Candidates must have good communication and interpersonal skills, as well as the ability to work collaboratively as a member of a team in coordination with parish staff. This position requires the desire and ability to support the mission of the Catholic Church. Office experience is required, including knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, Publisher and Parish Data System. Fluency in Spanish is a plus.

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For further info and to register, please go to www.dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting then click on the **Day of Recollection** banner.

In case Covid-19 restrictions are still in place, and the event cannot be safely held in person, the JDCCS will offer either a VIRTUAL retreat online or have the event at an alternative meeting place.

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Pre-registration is required by November 7.

Please register online at <https://bit.ly/3fOolnP> or call the Office of Family Ministry at 815-838-5334.

Zoom link to follow upon registration.



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Weekly Campus Calendar

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
October 19	October 20	October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24	October 25
9:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)	9:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)	9:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)	9:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)	9:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)	9:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)	7:30 AM Mass Reservation Required (CH)
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Offices Open (by appointment only)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Offices Open (by appointment only)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Offices Open (by appointment only)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Offices Open (by appointment only)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Offices Open (by appointment only)	9:00 - 10:15 AM RE Class (SCH)	9:15 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)
7:00 - 8:30 PM Confirmation Class Year 2 (SCH)	5:15 - 6:30 PM RE Class (SCH)	9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Drive-Up Adoration (Church Vestibule)	5:15 - 6:30 PM RE Class (SCH)	9:30 AM - 8:00 PM Drive-Up Adoration (Church Vestibule)	9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Drive-Up Adoration (Church Vestibule)	11:00 AM Spanish Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)
8:00 - 9:00 PM AA Meeting (NWA)		6:15 - 7:30 PM RE Class (SCH)	7:00 - 8:30 PM Confirmation Class Year 1 (SCH)		2:30 PM Confessions (until all are heard) (COM)	12:45 PM Polish Mass (CH)
					4:00 PM Parking Lot Mass (Tune to 107.7 FM) (live stream available)	7:00 - 8:30 PM Lifeteen
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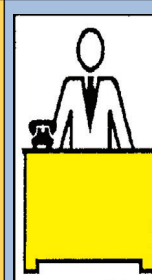
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