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in Faith Making



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Parish

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The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020

*All of you are children of the light
and children of the day.*



WE ARE NOT OF THE NIGHT OR OF DARKNESS.
THEREFORE, LET US NOT SLEEP AS THE REST DO,
BUT LET US STAY ALERT AND SOBER.

~ 1 THESSALONIANS 5:5-6

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“Let us attend the school of Jesus Christ, teacher of [#Prayer](#). May we learn from Him that prayer is primarily listening and encountering God, an art to be practiced with insistence, the place where we perceive that everything comes from God and returns to Him.

[#GeneralAudience](#)

- Pope Francis @ Pontifex

Mass Intentions

Monday – 9:00 a.m.	November 16, 2020 Bernard Riffel – (Marijane Riffel)
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m.	November 17, 2020 Richard Goss Sr. – (Joanne Bailey) Nancy Finnicum – (Son) Tim Oberg – (Monica & Margaret)
Wednesday – 9:00 a.m.	November 18, 2020 John Ross – (Ann Ross)
Thursday – 9:00 a.m.	November 19, 2020 John O'Connor – (Donna O'Connor) Donald Frawley – (Donna O'Connor) Raymond & Mae Reid – (Harold & Anne Corrigan) Father's Day Remembrance
Friday – 9:00 a.m.	November 20, 2020 Souls in Purgatory – (Pedro & Nirna)
Saturday – 9:00 a.m.	November 21, 2020 Ronald Popernik – Living Intention – (Marielena Lavoie) Catherine Marty – (Family)
4:00 p.m. (Parking Lot)	
Sunday – 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Spanish) 12:45 p.m. (Polish)	November 22, 2020 People of the Parish Gail Schultz – (Don & Eloise Andrews) Joel & Irma Ortega – (Nelva Salas) S.P. Janina Stachura



CMAA Pledge Report for St. Mary Immaculate Parish As of November 15, 2020

	2020	2019
Goal:	\$231,500	\$221,300
Amount Pledged:	\$188,553	\$210,003
Amount Paid:	\$168,821	\$176,391
Amount Due:	\$19,732	\$33,611
Number of Donors:	779	862

Readings for the Week

Sunday	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]
Monday	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday	Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28, or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
Thursday	Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
Friday	Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday	Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



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*For all of you are children of the light
and children of the day.
We are not of the night or of darkness.
Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do,
but let us stay alert and sober.
I Thessalonians 5:5-6*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It sure seems like that quote above from Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonian Church could easily have been written today. In this year particularly, it's so important for people of faith to be on the watch. We have to take a stand for life, a stand for compassion, a stand for justice, a stand for freedom, particularly religious freedom, and a stand for safety in the face of so many dangers.

It's been a daunting year for so many of us. For business owners, especially those that deal directly with the public, for teachers who have had to change the way they teach, for those in health care who have so much more to be concerned about these days, for those in government who are striving for the well-being of all, for those of us in the Church who want to provide worship while keeping everyone safe. It's safe to say that no one asked for 2020, no one is doing it perfectly, we are all depending on everyone to do the best they can.

Here at Saint Mary's, we have been somewhat overwhelmed by the number of people exposed to COVID-19 among our volunteers, our parishioners, even students and teachers in our school. Especially in the last few weeks, our numbers have been going up, along with everyone else in our region and state. It is our strong desire here at the parish to continue public worship, sacramental confession, and in-person learning for our young people. And so we have had to make some decisions to close other things down a bit more in an effort to make that happen.

Beginning this past Tuesday, the parish campus has been closed to visitors. Anyone needing to interact with an office or staff person here needs to have an appointment, and will need to be admitted by our receptionist. We are continuing our rule of no visitors in school or our religious education programs, and some of our religious education programs will be going virtual until after the first of the year.

We are encouraging everyone to stay safe. We want everyone to make good decisions over the holidays about who they visit, and especially if they travel. Your decision to not take part in a large group holiday gathering can help us not spread the disease here at Saint Mary's. We are even sponsoring a contest in school and faith formation to see who can come up with some very creative ways to observe the holidays safely.

Please help us by making good choices. And if you are sick with anything, please stay home. If you have been exposed to COVID-19, please stay home. If you come to Mass and find out within 14 days that you are COVID-19 positive, please let us know so that we can encourage others to self-monitor. Please help us help everyone to stay safe in these days. We can beat this disease, but only if we work together. I am counting on Saint Mary's people to do just that.

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

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*Todos ustedes son hijos de la luz
e hijos del día:
No somos de la noche ni de las tinieblas.
Entonces, no durmamos como los demás,
sino permanezcamos sobrios y despiertos.
I Tesalonicenses 5: 5-6*

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:

Seguro que parece que la cita anterior de la carta de San Pablo a la Iglesia de Tesalónica podría haberse escrito fácilmente hoy. En este año en particular, es muy importante que las personas de fe estén alerta. Tenemos que defender la vida, defender la compasión, defender la justicia, defender la libertad, en particular la libertad religiosa, y defender la seguridad frente a tantos peligros.

Ha sido un año abrumador para muchos de nosotros. Para los dueños de negocios, especialmente aquellos que tratan directamente con el público, para los maestros que han tenido que cambiar la forma en que enseñan, para aquellos en el cuidado de la salud que tienen mucho más de qué preocuparse estos días, para aquellos en el gobierno que luchan por el bienestar de todos, para aquellos de nosotros en la Iglesia que queremos brindar adoración mientras tratamos de mantener a todos seguros. Es seguro decir que nadie pidió este 2020, nadie está haciendo nada a la perfección, todos dependemos de que todos hagan lo mejor que se puede.

Aquí en Santa María, hemos estado algo abrumados por la cantidad de personas expuestas al COVID-19 entre nuestros voluntarios, nuestros feligreses, incluso estudiantes y maestros de nuestra escuela. Especialmente en las últimas semanas, nuestros números han



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aumentado, junto con todos los demás en nuestra región y estado. Es nuestro gran deseo aquí en la parroquia continuar las Misas públicas, el sacramento de la confesión y el aprendizaje en persona para nuestros jóvenes. Así que hemos tenido que tomar algunas decisiones de cerrar algunas cosas como un esfuerzo para que continuemos con las Misas, Adoración y confesiones.

A partir del martes pasado, el campus parroquial ha estado cerrado a los visitantes. Cualquier persona que necesite interactuar con una oficina o un miembro del personal aquí debe tener una cita y deberá ser admitida por nuestra recepcionista. Continuamos con nuestra regla de no recibir visitas en la escuela o nuestros programas de educación religiosa, y algunos de nuestros programas de educación religiosa se volverán virtuales hasta después del primero del año.

Alentamos a todos a mantenerse seguros. Queremos que todos tomen buenas decisiones durante las vacaciones sobre a quién visitan, especialmente si viajan. Su decisión de no participar en una reunión festiva de un grupo grande puede ayudarnos a no propagar la enfermedad aquí en Santa María. Incluso estamos patrocinando un concurso en la escuela y en educación religiosa para ver quién puede idear formas muy creativas de pasar las vacaciones de manera segura.

Ayúdenos tomando buenas decisiones. Y si está enfermo de algo, quédese en casa. Si ha estado expuesto al COVID-19, quédese en casa. Si viene a misa y descubre dentro de los 14 días que es COVID-19 positivo, háganoslo saber para que podamos alentar a otros a que monitoreen su salud. Ayúdenos a ayudar a todos a mantenerse seguros en estos días. Podemos vencer esta enfermedad, pero solo si trabajamos juntos. Cuento con la gente de Santa María para hacer precisamente eso.

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

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*Wszyscy bowiem jesteście dziećmi światła
i dzieci dnia.
Nie jesteście z nocy ani z ciemności.
Dlatego nie śpijmy jak reszta,
ale bądźmy czujni i trzeźwi.
1 Tesaloniczan 5: 5-6*

Drodzy Bracia i Siostry w Chrystusie,

Wydaje się, że powyższy cytat z listu św. Pawła do kościoła w Tesalonice można łatwo napisać dzisiaj. Szczególnie w tym roku tak ważne jest aby ludzie wierzący byli czujni. Musimy opowiedzieć się za życiem, za współczuciem, za sprawiedliwością, za wolnością, zwłaszcza wolnością religijną i za bezpieczeństwem w obliczu tak wielu niebezpieczeństw.

Dla wielu z nas to był trudny rok. Dla właścicieli firm, zwłaszcza tych, którzy mają bezpośredni kontakt ze społeczeństwem, dla nauczycieli, którzy musieli zmienić sposób nauczania, dla tych w służbie zdrowia, którzy mają o wiele więcej powodów do niepokoju w dzisiejszych czasach, dla tych w rządzie, którzy dążą do lepszego jutra dla wszystkich, dla tych z nas w Kościele, którzy chcą oddawać cześć Bogu, zapewniając każdemu bezpieczeństwo. Można śmiało powiedzieć, że nikt nie prosił o rok 2020, nikt nie robi tego doskonale, wszyscy polegamy na tym, że każdy stara się zrobić wszystko co w jego mocy.

Tutaj, w Saint Mary's, byliśmy nieco przytłoczeni liczbą osób narażonych na COVID-19 wśród naszych wolontariuszy, naszych parafian, a nawet uczniów i nauczycieli w naszej szkole. Szczególnie w ciągu ostatnich kilku tygodni nasze liczby rosły, podobnie jak w naszym regionie i stanie. Naszym silnym pragnieniem tutaj w parafii jest kontynuowanie mszy świętych, spowiedzi i otwartej szkoły dla naszej młodzieży. Musieliśmy więc podjąć pewne decyzje.

Od wtorku biuro parafialne jest zamknięte. Każdy, kto chciałby się osobiście spotkać z pracownikiem biura lub personelem, musi być umówiony na spotkanie i musi zostać przyjęty przez naszą recepcjonistkę. Kontynuujemy naszą zasadę zakazu gości w szkołach lub w naszych programach edukacji religijnej, a niektóre z naszych programów edukacji religijnej będą wirtualne aż do następnego roku.

Zachęcamy wszystkich do zachowania bezpieczeństwa. Chcemy, aby każdy podejmował dobre decyzje dotyczące tego, kogo odwiedza, a zwłaszcza jeśli podróżuje. Twoja decyzja o nieuczestniczeniu w dużym, świątecznym spotkaniu grupowym może pomóc nam nie szerzyć choroby tutaj, w Saint Mary's. Sponsorujemy nawet konkurs formacji szkolnej i religijnej, aby zobaczyć, kto może wymyślić bardzo kreatywne sposoby bezpiecznego obchodzenia świąt.

Pomóż nam, dokonując dobrych wyborów. A jeśli jesteś chory, zostań w domu. Jeśli byłeś narażony na COVID-19, zostań w domu. Jeśli przyjdiesz na mszę i w ciągu 14 dni dowiesz się, że masz COVID-19, daj nam znać, abyśmy mogli zachęcić innych do samodzielnego monitorowania. Pomóż nam zachować bezpieczeństwo w tych dniach. Możemy pokonać tę chorobę, ale tylko wtedy gdy będziemy współpracować. Liczę, że ludzie naszej parafii właśnie tak zrobią.

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



Letter from Bishop Ronald A. Hicks

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November 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Later this month, on November 21-22, our diocese will take up the national collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Your support for this collection brings change to people across the country and empowers those living in poverty to transform their communities into reflections of the Kingdom of God. In addition to making a national impact, we empower those living in poverty in our own diocese. 25% of the funds we collect stay here.

Examples of how CCHD is changing and impacting lives in our own communities can be found at funded organizations such as Garden of Prayer in Kankakee. This nonprofit organization mission is to improve the well-being of at-risk children, adults and families by providing education and mental health services that will place them on a pathway to success. Another example of CCHD's local impact is Shining Light NFP in West Chicago. This is an outreach open to all those in need of extra support because they are teetering on or already below the poverty line. Shining Light provides free services such as professional counseling, job training, and a plethora of other resources. Numerous other organizations like Garden of Prayer and Shining Light NFP receive aid from our CCHD collection.

Your support for this collection makes a difference for people living in poverty across the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can help CCHD this year. For more information about the collection and the people it supports, visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Thank you for generosity and for joining us as we break cycles of poverty by loving our brothers and sisters in Christ in this way.

Paz y bien,

+ Ronald A. Hicks

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks
Bishop of Joliet

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Our Family in Faith

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

John Arduino, Marsha Bysak, Frank Carino Jr., Luz Contreras, Camilla Cook, 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 Gadomski, 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, 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, Ed Wolosuk, Amelia Wyman, Everett Wyman, Florian (Butch) Zimecki, Tess 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:
Dorothy Ahlberg
Bernice Weber
and her family in your prayers.

In Memoriam

Thanksgiving Day Mass



Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26, 2020 will be held at 9:00 AM in the Church. Seating will be limited to 100 people. Please call the parish office at 815-436-2651 to reserve a seat.

This year we are asking that you please bring a non-perishable food donation with you for St. Mary's to share with those less fortunate.

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:

Mark Finnicum Sr.

Ruth Finnicum

Harland Chamberlain

Ruth Chamberlain

Carol Chamberlain

Sue Henkel

Carl Goettert

Going through alcohol rehab



Congratulations to the Newly Baptized...



IVY ROSE GILSON

Daughter of James Gilson & Krista Talty

JOSEPH VINCENT RIZZO

Daughter of Jeffrey & Jacqueline (Cook) Rizzo

Welcome to Our New Parishioners

Jennifer Morris-Boyd
Yorkville, IL

1 new household has registered at St. Mary Immaculate since November 8, 2020.

Campus Hours - COVID Update



Due to the information that our region has been moved back to Tier 2 mitigation for COVID-19 containment, the parish campus will be closed until further notice. This does not affect School or Worship at this time. Staff is working on campus in a limited capacity. All visitors, vendors and parishioners need an appointment to enter the parish building during the week, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Please be aware that all visitors must wear a face mask and check in with the Commons Receptionist.

Soundboard Techs Needed



St. Mary Immaculate is looking for persons to fill the positions of Soundboard Technician. Must be available for weekend Masses and special Holy Days. Experience is preferred, but training is available. Interested persons please contact Terry Henderson, Director of Music, at thenderson@smip.org.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

November 15, 2020

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ODE TO SAINT CECILIA

In this Augustine Institute audio drama, Ode to Saint Cecilia tells the dramatic story of a modest young woman from Rome whose life transcends time to influence poets, composers, sculptors, and painters.



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Financial Update as of September 30, 2020



We are certainly grateful for all those parishioners who continue to support our parish. Without your generous support of St Mary Immaculate, it would be impossible to pay our staff and utilities. **Sunday collections totaled \$483,178.50, which is \$116,821.50 below budget or nearly 19.5%.** If you have not contributed recently or are able to increase your offertory contribution at this time, please do so. We do not want to discontinue any of our important ministries during this pandemic.

Please know that we are cutting costs everywhere possible to be the best stewards of your donations that we possibly can. We will not, however, cut corners on our sanitizing procedures as the safety of our clergy and parishioners is of utmost importance as we continue to see increases in covid-19 cases in the Plainfield community.

If you cannot support us financially at this time, please pray for our parish and parishioners and know the clergy and staff here at the parish are always praying for all of you. Again, we thank you for your most generous support of St Mary Immaculate in every way that you can.

What's It Like?



Yes, we are still hosting parking lot Mass for as long as we can while the weather holds out. Join us on Saturdays at 4pm. We know you will be glad you came.

"Most people that I talk to are very appreciative that St Mary's is doing the parking lot Mass. They are happy to have the opportunity to come where they feel safe and can still receive Communion. Honestly they seem to just enjoy being able to come and celebrate Mass here."

– Beth Cockerell, Parking Lot Mass Volunteer

DRIVE-THRU SCOUTSGIVING CARNIVAL 2020



All Plainfield residents are invited to the Girl Scouts Scoutsgiving. This community-wide **FREE** event is a chance to give back in multiple ways in one location. Plus, there will be car-carnival games with prizes, while supplies last, to have some fun while socially distancing!

Sunday, November 15th
1:00 - 3:00 pm

Plainfield Central High School Parking Lot
(south of Fort Beggs / across from tennis courts)

Please bring items for any of the **Drive-thru/Drop-off Collection Drives** listed below. Donate to as many as you like!

- ◆ Troop 75645—gently used or new clothing (any age/gender)
- ◆ Troop 71045—legos/duplo
- ◆ Troop 75450—pop tabs
- ◆ Troop 75451—used plastic shopping bags
- ◆ Troop 75130—new or used pet supplies
- ◆ Troop 71507—food for micro pantry
- ◆ Troop 75670—Operation Shoebox: new items shoebox sized to gift to kids ages 2-13 and/or money donation
- ◆ Troop 75497—quarters or monetary donation for buying basics for **UNDY SUNDAY**
- ◆ Troop 75596 & 75134—bread tags & keys
- ◆ Troop 75575—hygiene products: deodorant, bath soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products. (EXCLUDES travel size)



Email questions to Psu715@gmail.com

www.girlscoutsofplainfield.org



New Mass Time



St. Mary Immaculate is happy to announce that we are adding another Mass to our weekend schedule. **Beginning December 6th**, in addition to our current schedule, we will also have **Mass in the Gym in English at 11:00 AM.**

Capacity limit was incorrectly advertised in the November 8th bulletin. Capacity will be set at 180 people and tickets will be available online at www.smip.org/new-mass-schedule/

#GIVINGTUESDAY™ DECEMBER 1, 2020

Please remember to include St Mary Immaculate in your Giving Tuesday donations. Go to our webpage at smip.org and scroll to the bottom to find the Giving icon OR go directly to <http://smip.org/onlinegiving>. You can earmark your donation for the Capital Campaign, Sunday Contributions or any of the regular collections we have here at the parish.

Not computer savvy? Drop a check off in the grey drop box outside the Commons doors, in the memo section note where you would like your donation applied and we will handle the rest. Your contribution will be included in your end of year tax statement.

Thank you so much for your generous support of our parish. Without you our Lord's work would not be possible.

Confirmation

Nov. 16: E-learning Class emailed to RE students.

No classes the week of November 22—HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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

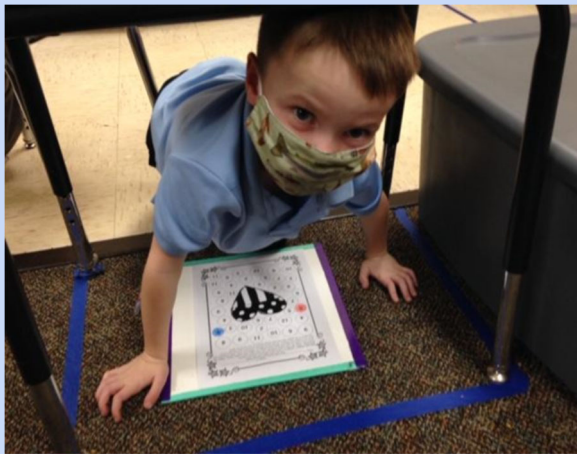


St. Vincent de Paul Helping Those in Need

The St. Mary Immaculate Parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference is dedicated to helping people in need. The donations of SMIP parishioners allow us to:

1. Provide limited financial assistance.
2. Provide food for the hungry.
3. Provide gently used clothing and household items from the SVDP Thrift Store in Joliet.

If you are in need of assistance, please call St. Mary's at 815-436-2651 and leave a message for the St. Vincent de Paul ministry. A member of the ministry will return your call.

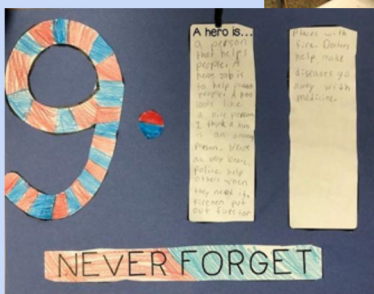
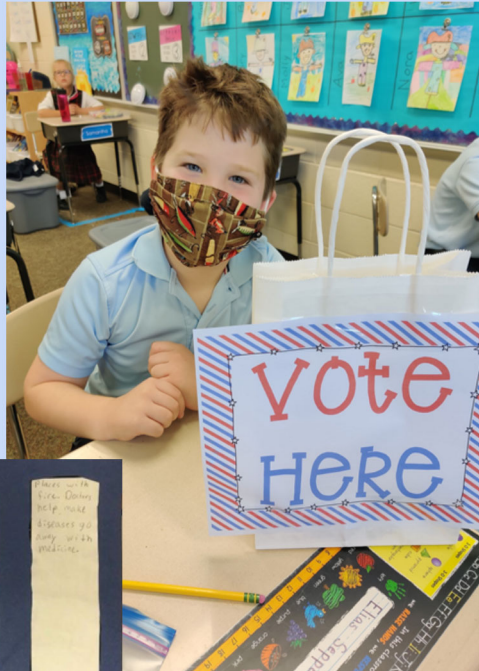
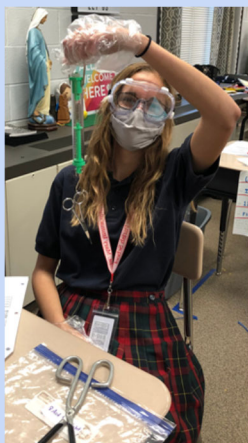


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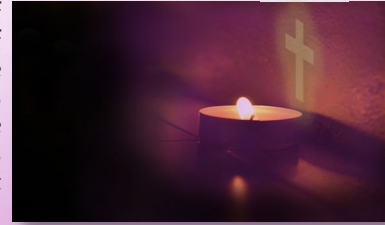


#SMISaysYes

ADVENT

LIGHT OF THE WORLD - A Beginner's Guide to Advent

This study will explore the biblical texts surrounding the story of the birth of Jesus. Join us as we trace the Christmas narrative through the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem, and the visit from the Magi. These stories open conversations around connections of the Gospel stories to the Old Testament, the role of women in first-century Jewish culture, the importance of Mary's visitation and the revolutionary implications of Mary's Magnificat, the census and the stable, and the star of Bethlehem and the flight into Egypt.



This study will take place via Zoom. We will send you the link for the Zoom meeting the day before the meeting.

Wednesdays 9:00 - 11:00 AM or Wednesdays 7:00 - 9:00 PM with Zoom:
NOVEMBER 11, 18, DECEMBER 2, 9

Register Here: smip.org/adventbiblestudy

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- ⇒ Bring your monetary donation in your Giving Tree envelope to Mass and place it in the collection box.
- ⇒ Drop off your donation in the drop box outside the commons (cash, check, gift card) in green envelopes.
- ⇒ Donate on line or by mail.

Return dates are:
Nov. 28/29 & Dec. 5/6

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WOMEN'S ADVENT TEA



Join us for a **virtual** Advent Women's Tea on **Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 PM**. Get into the Advent/Christmas spirit and share a cup of tea with others. We will have a wonderfully enlightening talk given by Meg Bucaro as she shares insights and thoughts on: **Heaven Help Me! Finding Christ (or Peace) in the Chaos of Christmas.**

Meg is a college instructor, wife to "the Hubs", Mom of three energetic children and a highly skilled PB&J sandwich maker, Meg shares the ups and downs of Motherhood in her candidly humorous writings and speaking programs. She will share how Moms can maintain a life with less stress and more peace by leaning on their Catholic faith.

Thursday December 10 at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Cost is \$5.00

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- USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "An Adoption Love Story" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)



Palabra de Vida

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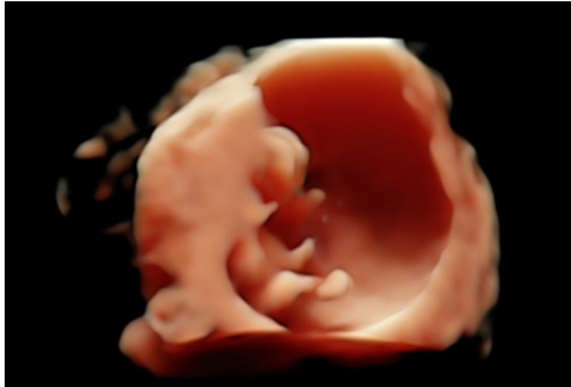
- Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB "Relato de una adopción de amor" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)



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"We are going to make it work...."



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With a family of four and a pending move to a new home, this pregnancy was putting a strain on Ally and Ron. Their marriage was suffering, and Ron was reluctant to accept Ally's wish to parent. Ally shared with her Waterleaf advocate that she felt she would either lose her husband or her baby and did not know how she could live with either decision.

Outside of these grave concerns, there were some lighter moments during Ally's appointments. During one of her ultrasounds she laughed when she saw the baby stretch out. She exclaimed how much the baby had grown since her last visit and she could feel the baby balled up on her left side just as it appeared in the ultrasound.

"I'm hopeful that it will all work out," Ally stated. She and Ron report many ups and downs since her first visit to Waterleaf, including two separate abortion appointments which were subsequently cancelled. Ally feels that Ron is coming around and she is determined to make it work. Ally is aware that Waterleaf's Resource Specialists are ready to help with her needs including counseling for all the stressors she is experiencing as well as baby preparation. Ally relayed that she is so grateful for our continued support and prayers.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
November 16	November 17	November 18	November 19	November 20	November 21	November 22
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 Campus Closed (appointment required)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Campus Closed (appointment required)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Campus Closed (appointment required)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Campus Closed (appointment required)	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Campus Closed (appointment required)	9:00 - 10:15 AM RE Class (SCH)	9:15 AM Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)
6:00 - 7:00 PM AA Meeting (NWA)	9:30 - 10:30 AM Adoration (In Church – Must attend daily Mass to participate)	9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Drive-Up Adoration (Church Vestibule)	9:30 - 10:30 AM Adoration (In Church – Must attend daily Mass to participate)	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)
	5:15 - 6:30 PM RE Class (SCH)	6:15 - 7:30 PM RE Class (SCH)	5:15 - 6:30 PM RE Class (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 Lifteen
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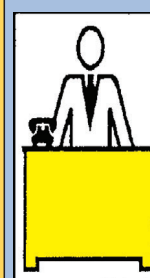
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