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in Faith Making*



ST. MARY
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Parish

*Christ
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The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2021



*God so loved the world,
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish,
but might have eternal life.*

- John 3:16

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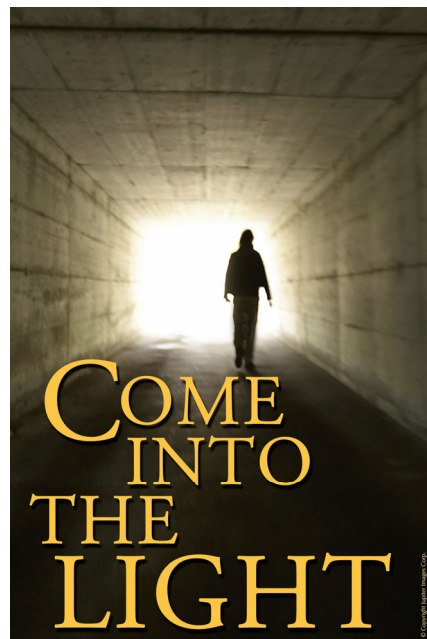


*“To be blessed,
we do not need
to become
occasional
heroes, but witnesses day
after day. Witness is the
way to embody the
wisdom of Jesus. That is
how the world is
changed: not by power
and might, but by the
Beatitudes. ”*

- Pope Francis @ Pontifex

Mass Intentions

Monday – 9:00 a.m.	March 15, 2021 Gertrude Todd – <i>(Son Bill)</i>
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m.	March 16, 2021 Patricia Cunningham – <i>(Pam Weldon)</i> Barbara Kenyon – <i>(Schuringa Family)</i>
Wednesday – 9:00 a.m.	March 17, 2021 Richard Goss – <i>(Robert Goss)</i>
Thursday – 9:00 a.m.	March 18, 2021 Joey Sarmiento – <i>(Sarmiento Family)</i> Vincent & Mary Freske – <i>(Freske Family)</i>
Friday – 9:00 a.m. <i>(School Mass)</i>	March 19, 2021 Gladys McGrath – Birthday Remembrance – <i>(Marijane Riffel)</i>
Saturday – 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. <i>(Parking Lot)</i>	March 20, 2021 Regina Rivera – <i>(Matthews Family)</i> Josephine Benas – <i>(Dennis & Barbara Marty)</i>
Sunday – 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. <i>(Spanish)</i> 11:00 a.m. <i>(Gym)</i> 12:45 p.m. <i>(Polish)</i>	March 21, 2021 – 5th Sunday of Lent Shirley Stofko – <i>(Mark Stofko)</i> George Beutel – <i>(Beutel Family)</i> Roberto Cedeno – <i>(Family)</i> People of the Parish Family of Stachura in Thanksgiving



Readings for the Week

Sunday	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
Monday	Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday	Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
Thursday	Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rm 4:13-16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Saturday	Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday	Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

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

*The angel of the Lord appeared to [Joseph] in a dream and said,
"Joseph, son of David,
do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home..."*
Matthew 1:20

Devotion to Sleeping Saint Joseph

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During this Year of Saint Joseph, Pope Francis has popularized a devotion that has been his for more than forty years. He has a small statue of Saint Joseph sleeping, placed on top of papers on his desk. I have a similar one on my night stand. The papers beneath the statue are prayers that we ask Saint Joseph to take to God.

The reason for this devotion is that, in Sacred Scripture, we see Saint Joseph getting messages from angels in his dreams. The first of these, quoted above, encouraged him not to break off his relationship with Mary, but instead to take her into his home. Another one urged him to take Mary and Jesus to Egypt to avoid the machinations of Herod, and later, one advising him it was safe to return to Nazareth.

So the thought is that Saint Joseph's relationship with God is powerful enough that, especially during his resting, he is able to intercede for those he loves, including you and me, in his dreams. Pope Francis once explained, "I really like Saint Joseph because he is a man of strength and silence. In my office, I have an image of a sleeping Saint Joseph, and while he sleeps he takes care of the Church. When I have a problem or am faced with a difficulty, I will write it on a piece of paper and I will place it underneath Saint Joseph, so that he may dream on it. That means: for him to pray for that problem."

Here is the prayer that he prays to the sleeping Saint Joseph:

O Glorious Saint Joseph, you who have power to render possible even things which are considered impossible, come to our aid in our present trouble and distress. Take this important and difficult affair under your particular protection, that it may end happily.

O dear Saint Joseph, all our confidence is in you. Let it not be said that we would invoke you in vain; and since you art so powerful with Jesus and Mary, show that your goodness equals your power.

Saint Joseph, to whom God entrusted the care of the holiest family that has ever been, grant what we ask of you, our father and protector, and let the grace be brought to us to live and die in the love of Jesus and Mary.

Saint Joseph, pray for us who have recourse to you.

If you wish to begin this devotion in your life or the life of your family, you can purchase a statue of Sleeping Saint Joseph from our parish office. Each statue is blessed and available for \$25.

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



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*El ángel del Señor se apareció en sueños a José en Egipto y le dijo:
"Levántate, toma contigo al niño
y a su madre y regresa a la tierra de Israel. ... "*
Mateo 1:20

Devoción a Dormir San José

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

Durante este año de San José, el Papa Francisco ha popularizado una devoción que ha sido la suya durante más de cuarenta años. Él tiene una pequeña estatua del San José durmiente, colocada en la parte superior de los papeles en su escritorio. Tengo uno similar en mi buró de noche. Los papeles debajo de la estatua son oraciones que le he pedido a San José para que él se las lleve a Dios.

La razón de esta devoción se debe a que, en la Sagrada Escritura, vemos que San José recibe mensajes de los ángeles en sus sueños. El primero de estos, lo alentó a no romper su relación con María, sino que la llevó a su hogar. Otro sueño le instó a llevar a María y a Jesús a Egipto para evitar los planes de Herodes, y más tarde, se le aconsejó que era seguro volver a Nazaret.

Entonces, el pensamiento es que la relación de San José con Dios es lo suficientemente poderosa como para que sea capaz de interceder por aquellos que ama, incluido usted y yo, especialmente durante su descanso y en sus sueños. Papa Francisco una vez explicó: "Me gusta mucho San José porque es un hombre de fuerza y silencio. En mi oficina, tengo una imagen de un San José durmiente, y mientras duerme, él cuida la Iglesia. Cuando tengo un problema o me enfrento a una dificultad, lo escribiré en un pedazo de papel y lo colocaré debajo de San José, para que pueda soñar en ello. Eso significa: para que ore por ese problema".

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

Esta es la oración de que él ora al San José Durmiente:

"Glorioso patriarca san José, cuyo poder sabe hacer posibles las cosas imposibles, ven en mi ayuda en estos momentos de angustia y dificultad. Toma bajo tu protección las situaciones tan graves y difíciles que te confío, para que tengan una buena solución. Mi amado Padre, toda mi confianza está puesta en ti. Que no se diga que te haya invocado en vano y, como puedes hacer todo con Jesús y María, muéstrame que tu bondad es tan grande como tu poder.

"Salve, custodio del Redentor y esposo de la Virgen María. A ti Dios confió a su Hijo, en ti María depositó su confianza, contigo Cristo se forjó como hombre. Oh, bienaventurado José, muéstrate padre también a nosotros y guíanos en el camino de la vida. Concédenos gracia, misericordia y valentía, y defiéndenos de todo mal. Amén".



Si desea comenzar esta devoción en su vida o la vida de su familia, puede comprar una estatua del San José durmiente en nuestra oficina parroquial. Cada estatua esta bendita y disponible por \$ 25.

Suyo en Cristo y su bendita madre,
Padre Pat Mulcahy, Párroco

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*Oto Anioł Pański ukazał mu się [Józefowi] we śnie i powiedział,
"Józefie, synu Dawida,
Nie bój się zabrać swojej żony do swojego domu ... "
Mt. 1:20.*

Oddanie św. Józefowi

Drodzy Bracia i Siostry w Chrystusie,

W tym roku Świętego Józefa, Papież Franciszek zawierzył oddanie św. Józefowi, które było jego pobożnością od ponad czterdziestu lat. Ma on statuetkę św. Józefa ustwioną na papierach na swoim biurku. Ja mam podobną, która stoi na moim stoliku. Papiery pod statuetką są modlitwami do Św. Józefa aby je oddał Panu Bogu.

Powodem tego oddania jest to, że w Piśmie świętym widzimy św. Józefa, który otrzymuje wiadomości od aniołów w swoich snach. Pierwszy z nich cytowany powyżej, zachęcił go aby nie zrywał swojego związku z Maryją lecz zabrał ją do swojego domu. Inny wezwał go do ucieczki z Maryją i Jezusem do Egiptu, aby uniknąć Heroda, a później kolejny sen radzący mu kiedy bezpieczne powrócić do Nazaretu.

Możemy łatwo zauważyć, że związek św. Józefa z Bogiem jest wystarczająco potężny, że nawet podczas jego odpoczynku, jest on w stanie zaopiekować się tymi, których kocha, w tym ciebie i mnie. Papież Franciszek wyjaśnił: "Naprawdę bardzo lubię św. Józefa ponieważ jest on człowiekiem siły i ciszy. W moim biurze mam wizerunek śpiącej świętego Józefa bo kiedy śpi, zajmuje się kościołem. Kiedy mam problem lub stoję w obliczu trudności, piszę to na kartce papieru i umieszczam pod świętym Józefem, aby mógł się nad tym przespać. Oznacza to: aby przemodlił ten problem. "

Oto modlitwa, którą papież modli się do śpiącego św. Józefa:

*Chwalebny Patriarcho, święty Józefie, w którego mocy jest uczynienie możliwym tego, co niemożliwe, spiesz mi na pomoc w chwilach niepokoju i trudności.
Weź pod swoją obronę sytuacje bardzo poważne i trudne,
które Ci powierzam, by miały szczęśliwe rozwiązanie.
Mój ukochany Ojcze, w Tobie pokładam całą ufność moją.
Niech nie mówią, że przyzywałem Ciebie na próżno,
a skoro z Jezusem i Maryją możesz wszystko uczynić,
ukaz mi, że twoja dobroć jest tak wielka jak Twoja moc. Amen.*

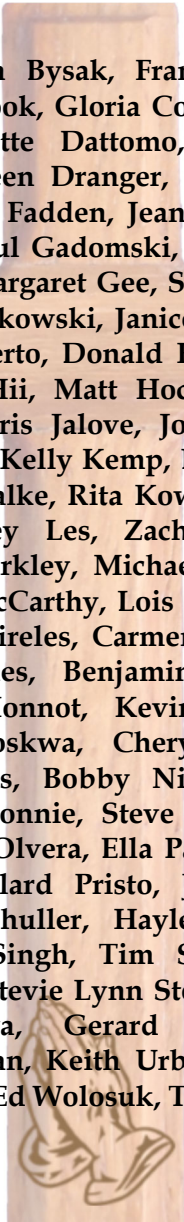


Jeśli chcesz zacząć to oddanie do św. Józefa w swoim życiu lub w życiu swojej rodziny, możesz kupić statuetkę śpiącego świętego Józefa w naszym biurze parafialnym. Każda figurka jest poświęcona. Koszt \$25.00.

Twoje w Chrystusie i jego błogosławionej matce,
Ojciec Pat Mulcahy, Pastor

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, Lynette Dattomo, Mary Dickerson, Megan Dolan, Maureen Dranger, Alexander Dynako, Rick Erwin, Deborah Fadden, Jean Fiaoni, Sue Flynn, Brandon Franklin, 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, Dee Hii, 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, Dave Monnot, 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, Eleanor Welps, Ed Wolosuk, 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:
Noel Alleyna
Maria Montenegro
and their families in your prayers.

In Memoriam

Lighting Prayer Intention Candles

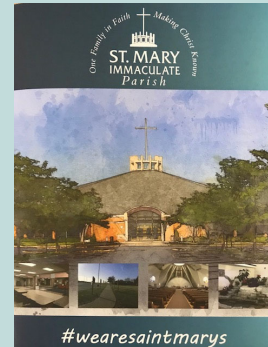


For your donation of \$3.00, we will physically light one of the candles near the Adoration chapel for your intention and add your intention to a list in the online bulletin.

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

In Honor Of: Intentions:

#wearesaintmarys Capital Campaign



It seems like a lifetime ago, but last year at this time we were kicking off the **#wearesaintmarys Capital Campaign**.

Now that we have things rolling smoothly under all the many COVID restrictions, we must get the Capital Campaign back in full swing. We are asking you to turn in the letter of intent form from your packet. This will help us move forward in the planning of projects.

If you haven't received the materials, please contact Pam Angelus in the Parish Office 815-436-2651 ext 849.

Our Family in Faith



Congratulations to the Newly Baptized...



ANNA KATHLEEN ALEXANDER

Daughter of Denver & Megan (Yocum) Alexander

LUKAS TOKARSKI

Son of Christopher Tokarski & Aleksandra Pabian

IROBOSO BENJAMIN OGBOMO

Son of Osagie & Kate (Onwunghai) Ogbomo

Welcome to Our New Parishioners

Roman Alvarado
Plainfield, IL

Anne Marie Lavelle
Romeoville, IL

Adrian Pavlacka
Joliet, IL

Alfonso Escamilla
Joliet, IL

John & Carol Anne Ong
Joliet, IL

Vanessa Ramirez
Romeoville, IL

3 new households have registered at St. Mary Immaculate since March 7, 2021.



Sacrament of Penance

St. Mary Immaculate will be offering additional opportunities to attend the Sacrament of Penance during Lent.

The Sacrament of Penance continues to be offered on **Saturday afternoons beginning at 2:30 pm until all are heard**. Please enter through the Commons doors.

(no confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday, April 3)

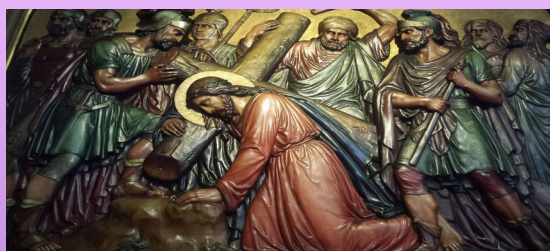
Additionally, the Sacrament of Penance will also be offered on **Friday evenings beginning at 6:00 pm until all are heard**. Please enter through the door nearest the flagpole.

(no confessions will be heard on Good Friday, April 2)

Please arrive as close to the starting times as possible so we do not miss you.

Due to social distancing guidelines we must adhere to for the safety of all, please dress appropriately for the weather as the lines for Confession may extend outside the building. You may also consider staying in your vehicle until the lines get shorter.

Stations of the Cross / Estaciones de la Cruz / Droga Krzyżowa



March 19—Estaciones de la Cruz 6:30 pm (Iglesia)

March 26—Droga Krzyżowa 7:00 pm (Kościół)

} *Reservations are required*

Year of Saint Joseph

As we celebrate the *Year of Saint Joseph* as proclaimed by the Holy Father, we will host two special events in honor of St. Joseph.

Holy Hour

Please join us for an evening of Prayer and Adoration on the vigil of St. Joseph Day, **Thursday, March 18th from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.** in the Church.

Tickets are required and are available at: <https://www.smip.org/st-joseph-holy-hour>.

Mass

Please join us for Mass on St. Joseph Day, **Friday, March 19th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Church.

Tickets are required and are available at: <https://www.smip.org>

St. Joseph is known by many titles including the Spouse of the Mother of God, the Foster-Father of the Son of God, the Head of the Holy Family, Hope of the Sick, Patron of the Dying and Protector of the Holy Church, just to name a few.



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March 14, 2021

WATCH

JOSEPH OF NAZARETH: THE STORY OF THE MAN CLOSEST TO CHRIST

With this year being consecrated to St. Joseph, we celebrate the feast day of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



SIGN UP FOR FREE AT [SMIP.FORMED.ORG](https://www.smip.org)

Do You Care for a Loved One?
An Ill Spouse, an Aging Parent or
a Child with Disabilities?



We invite you to connect with other caregivers. Nourish for Caregivers supports the practical emotional and spiritual needs of all who offer care for others during this time of uncertainty and anxiety.

**Monthly meetings will be held via Zoom
at 7:00 pm on the third Thursday of the month.**

DATES

March 18, 2021
April 15, 2021
May 20, 2021
June 17, 2021

For more information and to obtain the Zoom link, please contact:

Deacon Mike Perkins at mperkins@smip.org or

815.436.2651 ext 480

-OR-

Pat Mander, R.N., Pastoral Minister at pmander@smip.org or

815.436.2651 ext 893

SMI ST. JOSEPH'S DAY

Mobile Food Pantry Fundraiser

Friday, March 19th

You are welcome to eat meat on March 19th. Canon Law makes an exception for Fridays that are Solemnities, like St. Joseph's Day!



RESTAURANT & CATERING

Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Ask about our Daily Specials!

815-436-7502

Come to Nabby's on March 19 to place your order and choose to dine in or carry out, OR phone ahead for pick up. You may order anything off of the menu. Please be sure to let us know that your order is for SMI St. Joseph's Day. 15% of all orders throughout the day will go back to St. Mary Immaculate Parish to help pay for an upcoming Mobile Food Pantry.

MON – SAT: 6AM – 9PM
SUN: 7AM – 8PM

Nabby's Restaurant & Catering
14802 Michigan St., Plainfield



PACKAGE #1: \$37.50
Big Pauly 16" 1-Topping Pizza,
Caesar Salad Entrée, Garlic Knots

PACKAGE #2: \$51.50
Original 12" Old World
Margherita and 12" The Butcher
Pizzas, House Entrée Salad, Garlic
Knots

PACKAGE #3: \$71.50
Get two Big Pauly 16" Cheese,
Sausage or Pepperoni Pizzas,
Caesar Salad Entrée, Large Baked
Pasta, Garlic Knots

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Palm Sunday / Holy Week / Easter Sunday Schedule 2021

Tickets are required for all Masses/Services (with the exception of Services and Masses taking place in the Parking Lot or as Drive-up Adoration). Please reserve your tickets at www.smip.org

Palm Sunday Masses

Saturday, March 27:

4:00 PM Parking Lot Mass (*livestream available*)

Sunday, March 28:

7:30 AM in the Church (English)

7:30 AM in the Gym (English)

9:15 AM in the Church (English) (*livestream available*)

9:15 AM in the Gym (Spanish)

11:00 AM in the Church (Spanish) (*livestream available*)

11:00 AM in the Gym (English)

12:45 PM in the Church (Polish)

12:45 PM in the Gym (English)

Holy Thursday - April 1st

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper (Multi-lingual) (*livestream available*)

Until 10:00 PM Altar of Repose with Drive-up Adoration

10:00 PM Night Prayer (*livestream available*)

Good Friday - April 2nd

3:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (Multi-lingual) (*livestream available*)

Until 6:00 PM Veneration of the Cross available as Drive-up Adoration (*Stay in your car please*)

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross in the Church (*video presentation*)

7:00 PM Viacrucis in the Gym (*video presentation*)

Holy Saturday - April 3rd

12:00 PM Blessing of Foods Parking Lot Service (English) (*livestream available*)

2:00 PM Blessing of Foods Parking Lot Service (Polish)

8:00 PM Easter Vigil in the Holy Night in the Church (Multi-lingual) (*livestream available*)

Easter Sunday Masses - April 4th

7:30 AM Parking Lot Mass (*livestream available*)

9:15 AM in the Church (English) (*livestream available*)

9:15 AM in the Gym (English)

11:00 AM in the Church (Spanish) (*livestream available*)

11:00 AM in the Gym (English)

12:45 PM in the Church (Polish)

12:45 PM in the Gym (English)

Easter Basket Ministry Needs Your Help

Every Easter Season, St Mary's reaches out to help those in need. Our mission is to bring joy and love to the children in our community. The Easter Basket Ministry donates items such as books, coloring books, stuffed animals, and wrapped candy to Morning Star Mission, Daybreak Shelter and Plainfield Food Pantry.

Although we normally ask for the items to fill Easter Bags, due to pandemic restrictions, this year **we are asking for monetary donations** to help purchase the needed items. **Sign up to donate thru March 21st.** Donations can be made online through our parish website at smip.org/easterbaskets.

If you prefer to make a donation **with cash or check** (payable to SMI), please place your envelope marked "Easter Baskets" in the collection box before or after Mass or in the drop box outside of the Commons doors anytime through March 21

Thanks so much for your generosity!



CONFIRMATION

Strengthened by the Spirit, Called to Action

Mar 14: High School Zoom session

Mar 15: Parent Teen Class. Recorded session link emailed to families

Mar 22: Class for Year 2 RE students with their mentors. 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Mar 25: Class for Year 1 RE students with their mentors. 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Registration for Fall 2021 classes opens on March 22!

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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & LADIES AUXILIARY
GOOD SHEPHERD COUNCIL #5573



2021 FRIDAY FISH FRY

St. Mary Immaculate Parish

MARCH 12, 19 & 26

Drive-Thru Pick Up Orders ONLY

Order by phone: 815-577-6673

4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on the Fish Fry date

PICK UP from 4:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Behind the Parish School on Frederick St., Enter the Driveway from the South End

CREDIT, CASH OR CHECK Payable to Knights of Columbus #5573 Accepted at Pick Up

MENU

Shrimp Dinner – 6 pc - \$10.75

Extra Large Fried Cod Dinner – 3 pc - \$11.00

Large Fried Cod Dinner – 2 pc - \$9.25

Small Fried Cod Dinner – 1 pc - \$6.75

Combo – 3 pc Shrimp & 1 pc Fried Cod - \$10.50

Cheese Pizza by the Slice - \$3.00

Dinners include Crispy Fries



Intercessions for Life

For those nearing the end of life: May they be given the grace to persevere in faith and place their trust in God, as they prepare for eternity with Christ;

We pray to the Lord

Peticiones por La Vida

Por los que se acercan al final de su vida: para que se les conceda la gracia de perseverar en la fe y pongan su confianza en Dios, mientras se preparan para la eternidad con Cristo;;

Roguemos al Señor

Word of Life

“We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’. We find ourselves not only ‘faced with’ but necessarily ‘in the midst of’ this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life” (*The Gospel of Life* 28).

- Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*. 1995 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.



Palabra de Vida

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Part of the criteria is:

- Students applying must have a financial need.
- Students must actively attend a Catholic parish in the Joliet Diocese with an active CCW.
- Scholarship includes a one-time stipend to be paid directly to the high school based on funds available for the calendar year.

To obtain an **Application Packet**, please call to make an appointment during regular Office Hours at one of the following: the SMI School Office (815-436-3953), the Religious Ed Office (815-436-2861) or the Parish Office (815-436-2651).

The completed application is due to the SMI CCW mailbox no later than Wednesday, March 31, 2021, and addressed to:
CCW President/Application for Bishop Blanchette Scholarship

Thank you in advance for completing your application and Good Luck to you!



Seeking Volunteers

Help Socially Isolated Seniors During the Pandemic and Beyond!

Catholic Charities' Senior Companion Program (SCP) is looking for people 55 years and older who are interested in visiting with another senior who is homebound and living in Will County. This is strictly a friendly visit, no homecare duties are involved. Volunteers who meet income eligibility guidelines will receive a tax-free hourly stipend and a mileage reimbursement for time spent with clients.

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In Will County, call Kathy at 815-724-1178 or email kschweikart@cc-doj.org. For more information about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

JOB OPENINGS:

St. Michael Parish - Wheaton, IL

St. Michael Parish in Wheaton is seeking to hire a full time Parish Faith Formation Director. The Parish Faith Formation Director shall work with the Pastor to cultivate a parish-wide environment that fosters deeper relationships with Jesus Christ and active intentional discipleship throughout our parish community. This position will be responsible for identifying and establishing the best means of "forming" all target groups including single adults, young parents, families, teens and young children whether they be in-pew Catholics, sacramentally inactive Catholics, or community members who do not know or are not in relationship with Jesus Christ. The Parish Faith Formation Director may be required to assume direct responsibility for one of the following areas of accountability: Adult Faith Formation, Religious Education Faith Formation, RCIA Candidate Formation, Family Faith Formation, and Teen & Young Adult Faith Formation.

This is a full time, flexible 40-hour work week position. Must be available evenings, weekends, and to be on call after regular business hours to meet the formation needs of the parish. Requires some holiday work for events and the ability to arrange coverage for the same. These times include but are not limited to Christmas Season, Holy Week/Easter, parish mission, fundraisers, etc.

If interested, please email resume to: resumes@stmichaelcommunity.org.

Diocese of Joliet - Finance Office

The Diocese of Joliet is seeking to hire a part-time Accounts Receivable Accountant for the Finance Office. The part-time Accounts Receivable Accountant is responsible for depositing all checks received by the diocese and applying payments to the appropriate accounts. This position also requires following up on all past due accounts and investigating and billing discrepancies. In addition, the Accounts Receivable Accountant will assist the Senior Accountant and Internal Auditing Director with special projects throughout the year. This position will vary between 15 and 20 hours a week.

Some College preferred. A minimum of three years' experience in an accounts receivable/bookkeeping position required. Must have the ability to handle and maintain confidential information. Experience working with multiple software databases including, but not limited to, Microsoft Word, Excel, and Peachtree/Sage Accounting Software. Experience with Blackbaud Financial Edge accounting software a plus, but not required. Ability to organize, prioritize work, meet deadlines, and work independently with minimal supervision. Must be proficient in multitasking and possess excellent interpersonal skills.

Applicants meeting the necessary qualifications please email cover letter and resume to humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Diocese of Joliet - Cemetery Office

The Diocese of Joliet Cemetery Office is seeking to hire Season Cemetery workers (positions available in Joliet, Kankakee, and Wheaton). These positions consist of the performance of seasonal work in the cemetery for the maximum period as outlined in the union contract (March through October). A valid Illinois drivers' license is required. Must be willing and able to perform tasks as outlined in the Cemetery Seasonal job description. To view job description visit: <https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/jobdetail.php?id=645>.

Normal 40-hour workweek. Ninety-day (90) probationary period. Union membership is required. Conditions and pay-rate (\$13.00 per hour to \$15.00 per hour based on qualifications) as outlined in the current union contract. Seasonal/temporary with no benefits. Applicants meeting the necessary qualifications please submit cover letter, resume and/or application to: eholloway@dioceseofjoliet.org. To mail resumes and/or applications, mail to: Office of the Director: 200 W. Romeo Rd., Romeoville, IL 60446.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
March 15	March 16	March 17	March 18	March 19	March 20	March 21
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 School Mass (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)	9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Drive-Up Adoration (Near Outdoor Mary Statue)	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 (Near Outdoor Mary Statue)	9:30 - 10:30 AM Adoration (In Church – Must attend daily Mass to participate)	9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Drive-Up Adoration (Near Outdoor Mary Statue)	2:30 PM Confessions (until all are heard) (COM)	11:00 AM Spanish Mass Reservation Required (live stream available) (CH)
			7:00 - 8:00 PM Holy Hour and Adoration in honor of St. Joseph (CH)	6:00 PM Confessions (until all are heard) (Enter at door near Flagpole)	4:00 PM Parking Lot Mass (Tune to 91.3 FM) (live stream available)	11:00 AM Mass Reservation Required (G)
				7:00 PM Estaciones de la Cruz (CH)		12:45 PM Polish Mass (CH)
		ST. PATRICK	ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM	7:30 PM Mass in honor of St. Joseph (CH)		7:00 - 8:30 PM Lifeteen
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