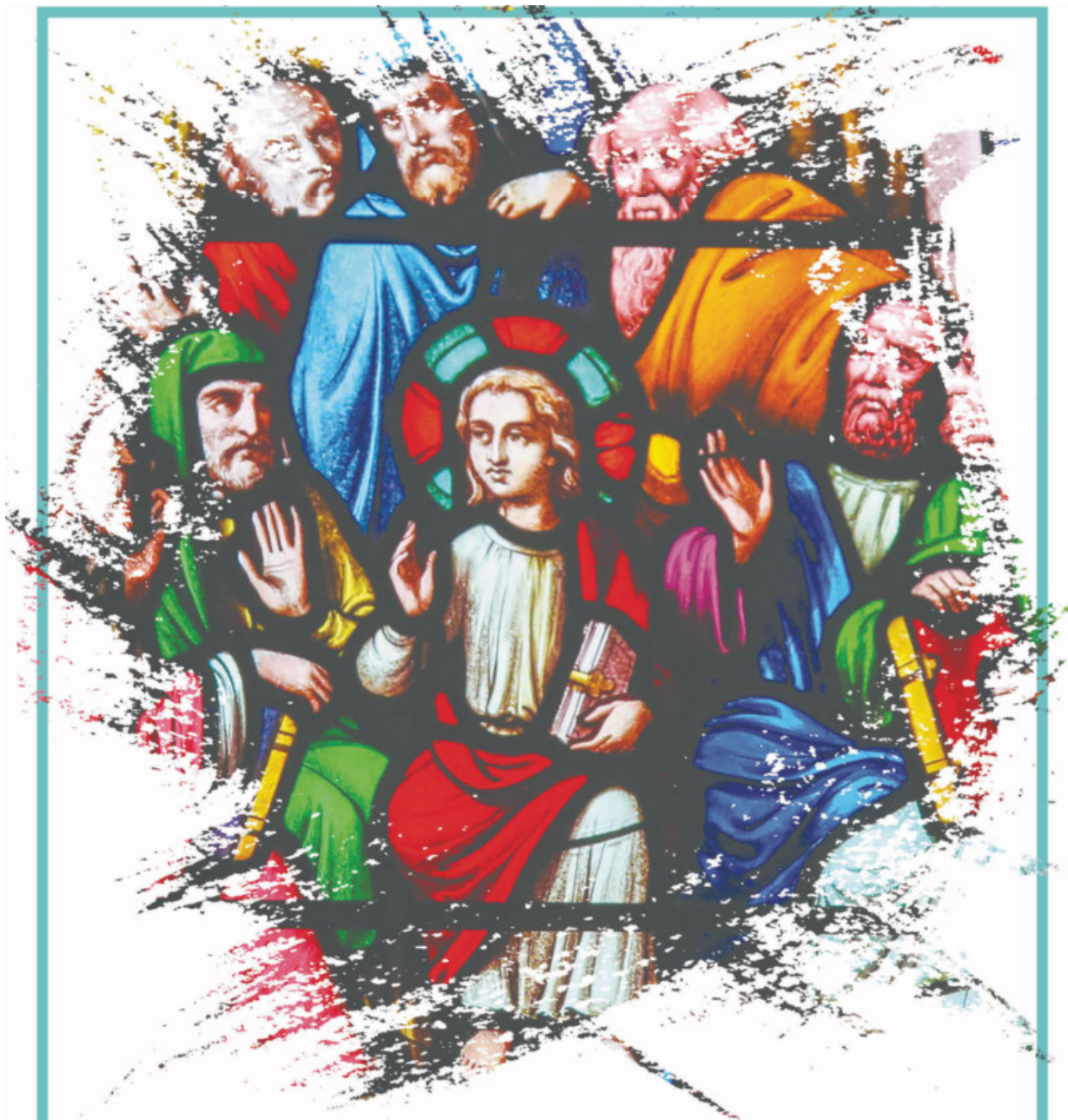




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SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



"IF YOUR BROTHER SINS AGAINST YOU, GO AND TELL HIM HIS FAULT BETWEEN YOU AND HIM ALONE. IF HE LISTENS TO YOU, YOU HAVE WON OVER YOUR BROTHER." —MT 18:15

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings are all about what we called in the seminary "fraternal correction." Jesus Christ tells us in today's Gospel: ***"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother."*** We are all our brothers and sisters' keepers and should not only be concerned about other's physical safety but even more mindful of their spiritual well-being.

But the best way to positively influence others with our words is if a relationship of love and trust is first built up. The Lord wants us to win each other over, not only to prove that we are right. It is no good only highlighting the faults of those around us. After all, we all sadly choose sin at times, we also make mistakes unintentionally, and have our quirks and foibles besides. How much we dread the approach of people who always seem ready with a complaint but are sparing with encouragement or support. A relationship of mutual concern and respect is ordinarily the best foundation for offering correction to another in a way that they can receive fruitfully.

A devoted father shared some wisdom on how he raised his children so that they would trust him, even when he had to correct them, or receive feedback from them. This dad was a military man and as a new father of a daughter, observed one of his brothers in arms, who was a capable soldier, but a regular womanizer. This aspiring young dad asked him: *"How do I protect my little girl from someone like you?"* the roguish soldier responded: *"Tell her that you love her, because if you don't someone who doesn't will say it, and she'll believe him."* He took the lesson to heart.

Years later, he had such a solid relationship with his oldest daughter, that at thirteen years old, she was able to tell him the truth when he needed it. Dad had come home from a busy day at work and was a bit impatient. The two younger kids of the three were in the kitchen cooking and had made a mess. Without asking any questions, with annoyance he told the kids to clean it up and then go to their rooms. His adolescent daughter later asked to speak with him and calmly said *"I don't think you handled that very well."* The two younger children were too hurt to tell him that they were given permission by mom to make something for him in the kitchen. He hadn't taken time to understand the situation before disciplining his children.

This real-life family situation highlights not so much the father's fault but rather the strong relationship with his daughter so that she felt safe enough to approach him with his own mistake.

We all have a prophetic office by our baptism which includes the spiritual work of mercy that perhaps we least want to practice; "admonishing the sinner." It is quite a balancing act to fulfill this because we are all sinners and have beams in our own eyes. Yet out of love for others we want them to be their best, and only mention their sin so that they might be better for it. By our deeds and our words, we can help inspire each other, we are our brother's keeper.

"Thus says the Lord: You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me."

God bless,

Fr. Mike

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

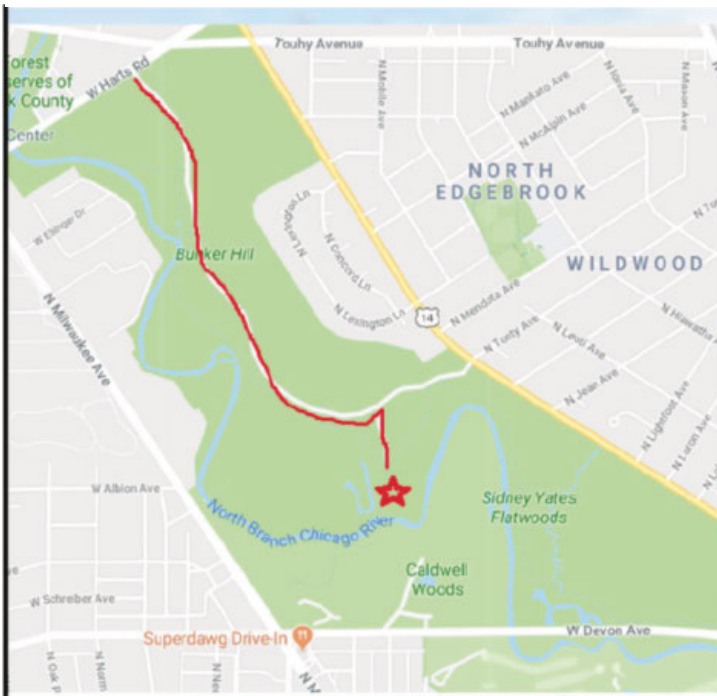


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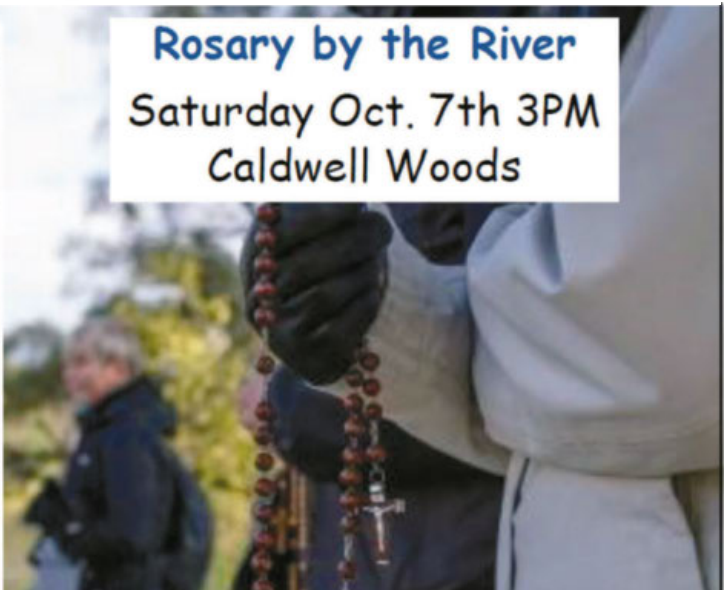
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September 23 and 24 before and after all Masses



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Rosary will begin promptly at 3:00

"For where two or three are gathered together in My name,
there am I in the midst of them."

Baptism

Welcome

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Keanu Revere, child of
Ivonne & Ryan
(Muralles) Cowan



Gabriel Isaac, child of
Nicholas & Kristen
(Goldstein) Infante



Michael Edward, child of
Edward & Aisling
(O'Halloran) Stompor

Catechists needed to SPRED God's love for everyone!



SPRED is the Archdiocese religious education program for children and adults with intellectual, developmental disabilities or other limitations. This inclusive environment supports the individual and family in knowing God's love and participating in our faith life as Catholics.

At St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, we support a SPRED team for 6–10-year-old children. Our ability to help and support our friends is driven by our catechists. This one-to-one relationship in our lessons help the friend know God's love through word, music and movement. SPRED will also help prepare the friend and family to receive sacraments.

If you are looking for a way to share your faith with the next generation, please consider joining us as a helper catechist at SPRED. One does not need any prior experience as a catechist or special education to participate. Our team of experienced catechists and trainers from SPRED would be happy to help you learn throughout the year. If you are a parent and would be interested in SPRED for your child, reach out to us too! To learn more about this program, contact Judy Castiglioni (773-576-4109 judithmhenry@gmail.com) or Kathy Danno (773-213-5059 kking626@comcast.net) or the parish office.

Find out more about the mission of SPRED by scanning the QR code or clicking the link for a video <https://youtu.be/u3DelfyNGkg?si=MvITVLVitAh9-QQc>



SPRED Meetings for Adult Catechists are on every other Tuesday evening (7:00 - 8:30 p.m.) and every other Saturday as a Community of Catechists and SPRED Friends (10:00 - 11:30 a.m.) starting in October.



SICK LIST

Michele Schmidt—Maria Szumski—Gary Sowell—Jeffrey Lalowski—Jadwija Chudzynski—Amy Grudzinski—Bernadette Bannach—Patricia Newell—Guzman family—Angela Ross—Nicholas Guerrieri—Cathy Minnick—Marie Brasher—Paola Estrada—Judy Biala—Eva Anderson—Elise Fernandez—Emery Tanski—Cary Muldoon—Pauly—Sr. Kelly Masdat MSHT—Darlene Russo—Constance Anderson—Dolores Nano—Roberto Druca—Doreen Ciesla-Hugglung—Steve Hovde—Helzing Aguilar—Flavia Langan—Dennis Cresco—Roger Doering—Alice Ward—Arthur Hamilton—Paul Wierdak—Victoria Judson—Anthony Pfeifer—Paul Konietzny—Kathy Burns—Joan Harriss—Daniel Fraczkowski—Jackie Fortier—Lois Schulmeister—Charles Jacobucci
(Call the rectory office to have your name added or removed)



*Join us next Sunday at the
9:00 a.m. Mass
where all those who
serve as catechists in our
Religious Education program,
our parish school,
Baptism preparation program, and
SPRED program
will be
Commissioned & Blessed.*

September 17, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Today, more than ever, we need compassionate and knowledgeable priests who will accompany us on our life journey, sharing in our joys and sorrows and guiding us through its challenges. The young men who are currently enrolled at both the University of Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary and at Saint John Vianney College Seminary in Saint Paul, Minnesota, are the priests of tomorrow who will walk with us through life.

We are truly blessed to have these selfless, young seminarians step forward to minister us, our children and our grandchildren. We are grateful for their willingness to dedicate their lives to Jesus, the Church and each of us.

As a show of our gratitude, we take a moment this weekend to pay our respects by making a gift to their education. At Masses throughout the archdiocese this weekend, we ask for your encouragement and prayers for our seminarians. We also seek your financial support to help cover the cost of their preparation, which includes tuition and fees, room and board and health insurance.

These young men are giving their lives to us, and I ask that you to match their generosity by making a sacrificial gift as we take up this collection. Not only will you be investing in them, but also in the future of the Church.

A remittance envelope has been placed in your pew or at the back of the church for your gift. You may also send your donation directly to your parish, noting that it is for "Seminar Education," or you may make a gift online at archchicago.org/seminarianfund.

In addition, you can also support vocations in the archdiocese by encouraging young men in your acquaintance to consider discerning the priesthood. Many current priests credit their vocation to personal conversations with loved ones and friends who recognized this potential in them.

On behalf of current and future archdiocesan seminarians, thank you. May God continue to bless you abundantly. Please know that I keep you in my daily prayers and intentions, and I ask for yours in return.

**SECONDCOLLECTION
NEXT WEEKEND**
(archchicago.org/seminarianfund)

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Parish Survey Report



Parish Strength –

The results confirmed that we have a solid foundation in our religious beliefs. Two examples: (1) Our belief that the Eucharist is the Body and Blood of Christ; and (2) that Scripture is the Word of God.

Parish Opportunity

In contrast to our strong beliefs, we're not active evangelizers. For instance, some 90% said they've never invited a man to the priesthood or someone to consider a vocation to religious life. Indeed, there are opportunities for us to grow as Catholic disciples.

If you'd like to volunteer for one of these three teams, please contact the Parish Pastoral Council, parishcouncil@setparish.org or call the Rectory at 773-763-8228.

Thanks to the 225 parishioners who responded to our recent parish survey, which is part of the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) project of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Your participation will help our parish develop spiritually and grow as Catholic disciples of Jesus.

- We will be sharing a lot more about the survey results in the weeks and months to come.
- And, we will dig into the responses by breaking up the data into more manageable pieces.

We're planning three teams to review the data and develop plans and action steps going forward. Why not get involved by volunteering to join one?

#1 "Personal Spiritual Growth & Sharing the Faith" Key example: Bolstering evangelization and community building through the "Rescue Project" program in our parish.

#2 "Sunday Experience" Boosting active participation and prayerful engagement in the parish liturgy.

#3 "Communications -- Vision/Mission" Communicating the parish's cornerstone statements, which is the charge of the Parish's Pastoral Council (PPC), and open to new volunteers.

You should know:

- We'll be looking not only at our parish's results but also comparing our responses to others.
- All individual responses remain completely anonymous.



**Step-by-Step Walk Through the Mass
Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 6:
Sign of the Cross
By FR. LUKE SPANNAGEL**



“In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.” Once we have finished the entrance hymn or antiphon at the beginning of Mass, there is a familiar gesture we do at every Mass and frequently with our prayers: we make the Sign of the Cross. Why? As Dr. Edward Sri writes, “The Sign of the Cross is not simply a way to begin praying. It is itself a powerful prayer that is meant to pour out tremendous blessings on our lives. When we make the Sign of the Cross...we enter a sacred tradition that goes back to the early centuries of Christianity, when this ritual was understood to be a source of divine power and protection. In making this sign, we invoke God’s presence and invite him to bless us, assist us, and guard us from all harm. It is not surprising that the early Christians made the Sign of the Cross quite often, desiring to tap into the power that lay therein” (*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, p. 17).

Sri goes on to quote the early Christian writer Tertullian (A.D. 160-225), who said, “In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting on our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the Sign of the Cross” (*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, p.17-18).

A Holy Gesture

Since we use the Sign of the Cross so frequently, it is important to recall what a meaning-packed gift it really is. The gesture itself points us to the Cross of Jesus—it reminds us of his saving sacrifice—the place where Jesus gave everything out of love for us to conquer sin and death. The words we say remind us that we have been brought into the life of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is important to notice that we pray “in the name” and not “names.” Praying in the singular “name” recalls that God is One God in Three Persons. In addition to reminding us of the Trinity and the Cross of Christ, the Sign of the Cross also reminds us of our Baptism, when we were brought into God’s family and given a share in the life of God: we are literally baptized “... in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit”! We are reminded that the Father loved us so much that he sent the Son to save us and that the Holy Spirit was sent to guide us on our way home to heaven. That’s a lot of meaning for a little action that only takes a couple of seconds!

When I think of the Sign of the Cross, one of my favorite meditations is imagining how it looks when Our Blessed Mother Mary makes it. I remember hearing a story about how St. Bernadette would sometimes comment to the other sisters that their Signs of the Cross needed more reverence. I was always struck by the thought that St. Bernadette saw Mother Mary make the Sign of the Cross as she followed along with the Rosary beads (during Our Lady’s appearance to St. Bernadette at Lourdes). It must have made a powerful impression on her! Although for now we might have to imagine this scene, we can review the classic steps in making the Sign of the Cross in the Roman Rite: using the right hand and touching the forehead (saying: “In the name of the Father”), the middle of the chest (saying: “and of the Son”), the left shoulder (saying: “and of the Holy”), and right shoulder (saying: “Spirit. Amen.”)

A Grace-Filled Gift

Like almost anything in our lives, frequent repetition of the Sign of the Cross can sometimes lessen our attention to what we are doing and what it means. However, as we noted, the Sign of the Cross is an incredibly powerful prayer and gesture full of meaning. Next time you are starting a prayer or at Mass, I invite you to pause for a brief moment and really make the Sign of the Cross a true prayer from your heart. Maybe imagine what it looked like when Mother Mary, St. Bernadette, or one of the saints made it. Consider moving your hand and saying the words more slowly. Think about the love Jesus has for you as you trace the shape of the cross. Thank God that you have been given a share in the life of the Trinity through Baptism. What a grace-filled gift the Sign of the Cross truly is!



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

5:00 PM — Don Love, Hector Mario Sepulveda, Jeffrey Friedlieb

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

7:30 AM — Alexander Kolinski (36th anniversary), Helen Kolinski, Jo & Ed Sanborn, Anna, Joseph, Estelle, Rose & Walter Dyjak
 9:00 AM — Mary Ciecko (birthday remembrance), Marcos Fernandez Sr, Women's Group, RE Students & Parents
 11:00 AM — Joe Dziedzic family, souls in purgatory
 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) Beatriz Saucedo, Cesar Hernandez Marin

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

8:30 AM — James Rellihan, Beatriz Saucedo, Susan Stepha, Dennis Stepha

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

8:30 AM — Jo Fergus, Marielena Gonzalez
 11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00
 5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION
 6:30 PM — Beatriz Saucedo

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

8:30 AM — Peter Eck, Beatriz Saucedo, Carmen Rosario Castro

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

8:30 AM — Cindy Kolodziej
 6:30 PM — BILINGUAL CONFESSION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

8:30 AM — Florence Stachowiak (birthday remembrance)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

8:30 AM — for our parishioners
 3:30 - 4:30 PM — CONFESSION
 5:00 PM — Don Love Jr, Robert Cubalchini, Marcos Fernandez Sr, Electo Infante

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

7:30 AM — for our parishioners
 9:00 AM — Stanley & Katherine Markowski, Roxanne Wilhelm
 11:00 AM — Carmen Rosario Castro
 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) Stephanie Rousset, Roberto Reveles, Cesar Hernandez Marin

Presider Schedule - September 16 & 17

5:00 p.m. — Fr. McCarthy / Guitar Ensemble / transitional deacon preaching
 7:30 a.m. — Fr. Sepulveda / organ
 9:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolan / piano / Parish Choir
 11:00 a.m. — Fr. Fallon / organ / transitional deacon preaching
 1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Bp. Bartosic



Margaret Obacz & Charles Cetin - II



Diane Rudden

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grand parents' Day
 Monday: Patriot Day
 Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary
 Wednesday: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows
 Saturday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
 Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20
 Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11
 Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19
 Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26
 Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
 Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
 Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49
 Next Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35



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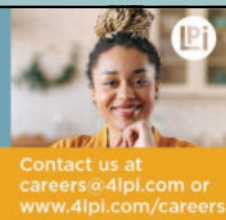
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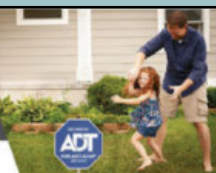
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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and First Thursday: 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary:

Prayed daily immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass
Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m., Thursday: 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (bilingual)
Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Sunday: 12:00 - 12:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)
Last Thursday from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (Benediction at 7:30 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office): Monday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements:
gbzdon@archchicago.org

Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public Grade School Students: Contact Peggy Bradley for more information.

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab or in the rear of church.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Tony Lupinski through the rectory office to make arrangements.

Food Pantry: Open Tuesdays - 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the lower level of the gym
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because my heaven is You,
my God,
and You are in my soul.
You in me,
and I in You – may this be my motto."
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