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Saturday.....4:00pm
Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am
10:45am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm
Monday-Friday8:00am
Rosary prayed after all daily Masses

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

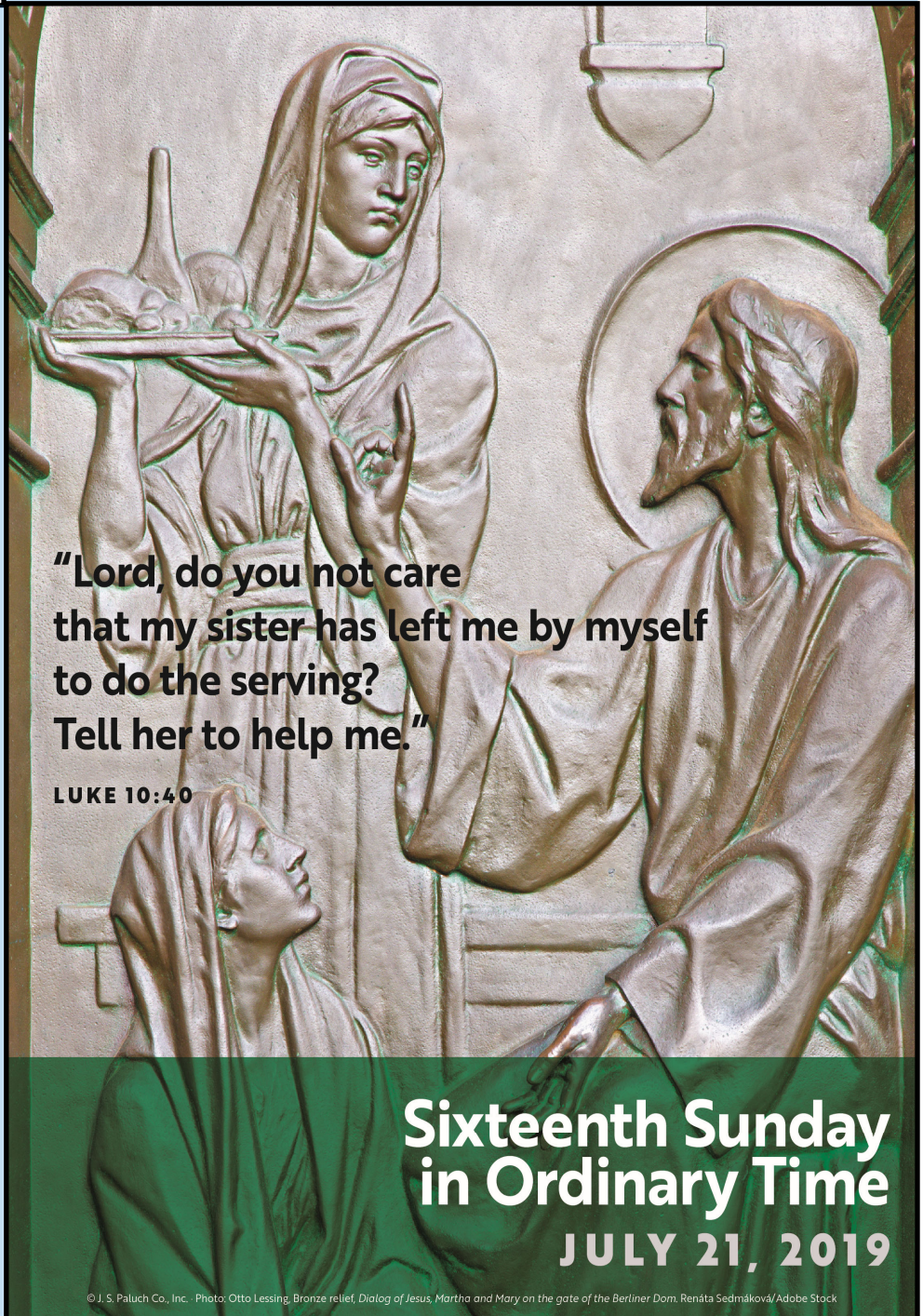
Schedule varies. Consult the Mass Schedule in the bulletin or website.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:00-3:45pm
1st Fridays of the Month....8:30-9:00am
Or by Appointment

PRAYER CHAPEL

Open Daily7:00am-8:00pm
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday
8:30am-6:00pm
Benediction.....Monday, 6:00pm



**"Lord, do you not care
that my sister has left me by myself
to do the serving?
Tell her to help me."**

LUKE 10:40

**Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

JULY 21, 2019



**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.....
Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!**

For my bulletin article this week, I would like to share with you a message from Bishop Conlon regarding the situation at our Southern border.

July 1, 2019

Statement of Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon
Bishop of Joliet

Once again, I write to express my deep concern and anguish over the crisis on our southern border. The tragic situation toddler of Angie Valeria and her father, Oscar Martinez, who drowned while seeking safety in the United States from the dangers of their homeland in El Salvador, dramatize the need for our response. It is not their story alone, but the plight of the many others fleeing the violence and poverty of Central America. Members of our own diocesan curia have been volunteering at rescue missions in Texas and California and bring back to us first person accounts of the suffering of these peoples. Such stories are the cries of the poor, prayers to ear of God.

There is also a crisis in our government. Torn by partisan polarization, Congress and the administration have for years failed to enact comprehensive reform which would not only provide a humane response to those seeking asylum at our border but would also address the critical need of farmers and other businesses in our own country who are unable to secure the workers they need. Further, it is a matter of abiding by international law, law that the United States took the lead in establishing, which requires a just hearing of those who come to our border seeking asylum. As well, I encourage our government officials to address the underlying economic and social conditions that have led to the catastrophic destabilization of Central America – conditions which are forcing people to flee.

Above all, we as Americans need to look into our own hearts. We cannot ignore the very real human suffering. We are confronted with real human beings, not simply “illegals”. Yes, laws there must be. But we have been given a greater law, indeed the greatest commandment, to “love your neighbor even as you love yourself.”

I encourage you, my brothers and sisters, to join me in contacting the President and our legislators, asking them to work to bring an end to this crisis, by enacting just and humane immigration policies. In addition, join me in prayer for our neighbors who seek relief from their struggles.

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM
6:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, July 23 - St. Bridget, Religious

8:00 AM † Patricia Schmitz, by Father Don McLaughlin

Wednesday, July 24 - St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

8:00 AM Int. Mike & Carole Brogan, by Fellow Vincentians

Thursday, July 25 - St. James, Apostle

8:00 AM † Valentin Tiongson, by Tom & Letty Nolan
8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM

Friday, July 26 - St. Joachim and Anne

8:00 AM † N. A. Philip

Saturday, July 27 - Ordinary Time

3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM **Vigil - Seventeen Sunday in Ordinary Time**
† Susan & Peter Krug
† David Schremp, by Lottie & Ruth

Sunday, July 28 - Seventeen Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† Patrice Klasinski
9:00 AM † Norma Knecht, by Tom & Letty Nolan
10:45 AM The People of Our Lady of Mercy
12:30 PM Father's Day Novena
5:30 PM † James W Ray & James W Ray, Jr by Helean M Ray

We pray for our sick, confined and their families

Please contact the Parish Office if you or your **immediate** family member wish to be added to the Sick List.

Mark Hoeksema
Mel Schmudde
Kathryn Martini
Mary Moody
Brady Pembroke
Carole Brogan
Wayne Draper
Ailani Banulos
Julia Schremp
Billy Walowski
Kathy Walowski
Flo Paprzycki
Helga Manglinong
Marilyn Reich
Michael Dandan

Charlene Oates
Maria Luna
William Nimmow
Jill Brisceno
Lexi Brisceno
Marie Steffy
Estella Ramirez

Please note: Due to the government legislation regarding patient privacy, names of people to be prayed for at Mass or in the Bulletin can be listed only if that person, or in the case of their incapacitation, the person delegated to their medical care, calls to give permission.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL LAMPS

Votive lamps will burn this week before the Blessed Sacrament for the following intentions:

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| 1. Megan Gabaldon | 9. Mary Ellen Feldman |
| 2. Elizabeth & Larry Nilles | 10. Msgr. Tom Powers |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Vocations to Priesthood | 12. OLM Parishioners |
| 5. Estella Ramirez | 13. Special Intention-L.T. |
| 6. Deacon Bob Vavra | 14. Good Health for Ricky |
| 7. The Brogan Family | 15. Helen O'Brien |
| 8. Good Health for Joe | 16. The Homeless |

If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament

*We pray for the deceased and their families...
Bernice Ramirez, mother of Bonnie, Alfonso, Rick & David*

We remember in prayer those in service to our country

TSgt Leah Harvey, USAF
Airman Melanie Hodges, US Navy
Nicholaus Laurie, US Marines
SSG Sean Murphy, USMC
Capt. Tara Trammell, US Army
Roberto Ramos, Army
Lt. Joshua Puscas, US Navy
Capt. Keith Harris, USAF
SSG Gina Maro, USAF
Juan Gabriel Sindac, USAF
Aaron Godinez, US Marines
Mason Webber, Army
LC/Cpl Ryan Ludwig, US Marines
Capt. Brian Strohmaier, US Army
PFC Elizabeth Pattermann, US Marine
Ensign Marion Eunece Bautista, US Navy

BIBLICAL INSTITUTE OF THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET



St. Margaret Mary, Naperville on MONDAY 6/17
Cathedral of St Raymond, Joliet on WEDNESDAY 6/19
St Thomas the Apostle, Naperville on MONDAY 6/24
Holy Family, Shorewood on WEDNESDAY 6/26
St Jude, Joliet on MONDAY 7/15
St Mary Immaculate, Plainfield on WEDNESDAY 7/24
Holy Spirit, Naperville MONDAY 7/29
St Paul the Apostle, Joliet WEDNESDAY 7/31
St Margaret Mary, Naperville 8/19
St Elizabeth Seton, Naperville 2/26
Cathedral of St Raymond, Joliet, 8/28



DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR.....
También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!

Para mi artículo del boletín de esta semana, me gustaría compartir con ustedes un mensaje del Obispo Conlon sobre la situación en nuestra frontera sur.

1^o de julio del 2019

Declaración del Reverendísimo R. Daniel Conlon
 Obispo de Joliet

Una vez más, escribo para expresar mi profunda preocupación y angustia por la crisis en nuestra frontera sur. La trágica situación de la pequeña niña Angie Valeria y su padre, Oscar Martínez, quienes se ahogaron mientras buscaban la seguridad en los Estados Unidos de los peligros de su tierra natal en El Salvador, dramatiza la necesidad de nuestra respuesta. No es solo su historia, sino la difícil situación de muchos otros que huyen de la violencia y la pobreza en Centroamérica. Miembros de nuestra propia curia diocesana se han ofrecido como voluntarios en misiones de rescate en Texas y California y nos traen informes en primera persona del sufrimiento de estos pueblos. Tales historias son el clamor de los pobres, oraciones al oído de Dios.

También hay una crisis en nuestro gobierno. Desgarrado por la polarización partidista, el Congreso y la administración han fallado durante años para promulgar una reforma integral que no solo proporcionaría una respuesta humana a quienes buscan asilo en nuestra frontera, sino que también abordaría la necesidad crítica de los agricultores y otras empresas en nuestro propio país, incapaces de conseguir los trabajadores que necesitan. Además, es una cuestión de respetar el derecho internacional, una ley que Estados Unidos tomó la iniciativa de establecer, la que requiere una audiencia justa de aquellos que vienen a nuestra frontera en busca de asilo. Además, aliento a nuestros funcionarios gubernamentales a abordar las condiciones económicas y sociales subyacentes que han llevado a la desestabilización catastrófica de América Central, condiciones que están obligando a las personas a huir.

Por encima de todo, nosotros como estadounidenses tenemos que mirar dentro de nuestros propios corazones. No podemos ignorar el sufrimiento humano muy real. Nos enfrentamos a seres humanos reales, no simplemente a "ilegales". Sí, debe haber leyes. Pero se nos ha dado una ley mayor, de hecho, el mayor mandamiento, de "amar a tu prójimo como tú te amas a ti mismo"

Los aliento a ustedes, mis hermanos y hermanas, a unirse a mí para contactar al Presidente y nuestros legisladores, pidiéndoles que trabajen para poner fin a esta crisis, mediante la promulgación de políticas de inmigración justas y humanas. Además, únense a mí en oración por nuestros vecinos que buscan alivio de sus luchas.

Padre Con

**UNA MENTALIDAD
 DE SERVICIO**

Hay varios viajes, entregas y visitas que pasan en las lecturas de hoy. En el libro del Génesis, Abraham atiende las necesidades de los tres viajeros misteriosos. La respuesta del salmo, celebra la justicia que Abraham practica. Entonces, en su carta a los colosenses, san Pablo describe su propio ministerio como algo que es para darse como servicio: él, administrador de Dios, trae la palabra de Dios a su comunidad. Finalmente, el Evangelio de Lucas, comparte la historia bien conocida de Marta y María, y la manera diferente como recibieron en su casa a Jesús. En medio de todo este trajinar, se nos invita a poner atención en las formas que atendemos las necesidades de los demás. Cada uno de nosotros podemos preguntar, *¿cómo presento mi vida a Dios y a otros?*

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Cant 3:1-4b o 2 Cor 5:14-17; Sal 63 (62):2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
 Martes: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
 Miércoles: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Sal 78 (77):18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
 Jueves: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Sal 126 (125):1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
 Viernes: Ex 20:1-17; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Mt 13:18-23
 Sábado: Ex 24:3-8; Sal 50 (49):1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30
 Domingo: Gn 18:20-32; Sal 138 (137):1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham shows hospitality to three visitors (Genesis 18:1-10a).

Psalm — He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

Second Reading — The mystery hidden from generations past has been manifested; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory (Colossians 1:24-28).

Gospel — Jesus converses with Martha and Mary about service and contemplation (Luke 10:38-42).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

**Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?
Do you have a lot of questions?**

Are you a Catholic seeking to enrich your faith by completing the sacraments of initiation? Whether you are a baptized adult who is missing a sacrament or seeking to join the church for the first time, our Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)/Becoming Catholic classes are the place to begin.

Sessions will begin this Fall!

For more information please contact
Jean Rehmer at 331-707-5375 or
jeanr@olmercy.com.

*“the rite of Christian Initiation... is designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God and enter the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit open their hearts” **

*from the Introduction – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



ARE YOU CALLED TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE?

The Diocese of Joliet will begin the process of inviting men to discern the call to the diaconate in the series of three information sessions:

The Blanchette Catholic Center
16555 Weber Road
Crest Hill, IL 60403
July 30, Aug. 6, 13
7:00-9:00 pm (English)

St. Petronille Church
420 Glenwood Avenue
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
August 1, 8, 15
7:00-9:00 pm (English)

St. John Paul II Parish
907 S. 9th Street
Kankakee, IL 60901
July 31, Aug. 7, 14
7:00-9:00 pm (English)

The Blanchette Catholic Cntr
16555 Weber Road
Crest Hill, IL 60403
July 31, Aug. 7, 14
7:00-9:00 pm (Spanish)

If you sense God is calling you, please consider attending the informational Sessions. No registration is required and wives are welcome. For more information, see our website at <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/diaconate/>.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (Grades K-5)

**Its not to late to register
for VBS!**

**We currently have 50 camper
openings for Grades K – 5.**

**Register with Mary Jo after all
Masses this weekend in the
PLC Lobby.**

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS (Grades 9-12)

NCYC for Teens: Sign-Up NOW!

High school teens are invited to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis on November 21-24. Join over 20,000 other Catholic teens for the nation's largest youth gathering! More details can be found in the lobby wall display or on the Light Youth Ministry webpage. The registration deadline is approaching so please sign up now!

L.I.G.H.T. Information Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 27th at 7:00 PM in the Church. Parents and high school teens are invited to attend to learn more about the program for teens, including the sacrament of Confirmation.

L.I.G.H.T. program details and registration information for the 2019-2020 year will be available August 1st. This includes information on the Sacrament of Confirmation and some changes for teens incoming to L.I.G.H.T.

Parents and Interested Adults in the parish community are invited to consider helping with the Senior High Youth Ministry! We are in need of mini-course facilitators, Alpha hospitality and kitchen crew members as well as trip and event chaperones. Please contact the youth ministry office or see the LIGHT webpage for more details.

L.I.G.H.T. Team Kick-Off Meeting is Sunday, August 4th from 10:00AM to Noon in the youth center. Teen and Adult leaders in the L.I.G.H.T. youth ministry are asked to attend.



2019 - 2020

REGISTRATION OPEN
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
EDGE CLASSES

REGISTRATION & VOLUNTEER PACKETS ARE @ THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
OR DOWNLOAD @ WWW.OLMERCY.COM

Parents & High School Teens consider volunteering. Catechists & Co-catechists receive \$170 full tuition credit. ALL other volunteers receive \$100 tuition credit (aides, nursery caretakers, office assistants, information desk & hall monitors).

Become A Catechist

Has the Lord blessed you with God-given gifts to share with children?

Are you eager to guide children to encounter His love, and because of this love, grow in knowledge of Him & the Church?

Will you dedicate yourself to the sacred responsibilities of teaching children about their Catholic faith?

Is the Spirit calling you to this life-changing role?

Contact Mary Jo Trapani, Dir. of K-5
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Candy Rice, Middle School YM
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Caring for the Mind, Body and Spirit

Safety Tips for Severe Weather

We have been experiencing high temperatures in the past weeks that have resulted in severe thunderstorms and lightning. The best defense with lightning is to avoid it. That sounds like common sense but everyone needs to review safety tips to decrease the chance of being struck by lightning.

Outdoor safety tips to avoid lightning are as follows. Check the weather forecast before outdoor activities and if there is a chance of thunderstorms either postpone the activity or make sure that there is safe shelter available. When you hear thunder, find a safe, enclosed shelter to go to such as homes, offices, shopping centers and hard-top vehicles with the windows rolled up. If you are caught in an open area, crouch down in a ball-like position (feet and knees together) with your head tucked and hands over your ears so that you are down low with minimal contact with the ground. Lightning can cause electric currents along the top of the ground that can be deadly over one hundred feet away. Do not lie down. If you are in a group during a thunderstorm, separate from each other as this will reduce the number of injuries if lightning strikes the ground.

During a thunderstorm, some things that you should not do are as follows. Avoid open vehicles such as convertibles, motorcycles and golf carts. Stay away from open structures such as porches, gazebos, baseball dug-outs and sports arenas. Avoid open spaces such as golf courses, parks, playgrounds, ponds, lakes, swimming pools and beaches. Do not stay near tall structures. Avoid lying on concrete floors or leaning on concrete walls during a thunderstorm. Lightning can travel through any metal wires or bars in concrete walls or flooring.

It is safe to give first aid to a lightning strike victim while waiting for professional medical attention. Remember the following steps. Call 911 immediately. It is safe to use a cell phone during a storm. Assess the situation for safety for the victim and for the rescuer to help without being in danger. Respond to a lightning strike victim as lightning often causes a heart attack. Check for breathing and if you are trained to do so, check for a pulse. Depending on the need of the victim, CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation) should be administered until help arrives.

(Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

The pastoral care ministries at the parish reach out and support all aspects of health-spiritual, physical, emotional and mental. If you are wondering if or how pastoral care can be of benefit to you or a loved one, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or at jolenel@olmercy.com.



Join us Friday, August 2, 2019

The Respect Life Ministry invites you to stand and silently pray in the public right-of-way across from the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Aurora every First Friday. Prayer warriors are needed for one hour shifts 8am-2pm to change hearts and save lives. Please prayerfully consider signing up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054FADAC23A3FA7-olmfirst>

For more information, please call Jane Fonner (630) 851-8433 or email janecfonner@comcast.net

Tutor Volunteers Needed

The Dominican Literacy Center in Aurora will be training new tutor volunteers for its literacy program in August. Female volunteers (with high school diploma) are trained to help women students learn to read, write, and speak English. Tutors meet with students once a week for 90 minutes, from Sept. to May, at 260 Vermont St., Aurora (behind St. Therese Church). Tutors do not need to speak Spanish or have teaching experience, but all volunteers must attend ten hours of training. The training dates are August 13, 15, 20, and 22, from 6:00PM to 8:30PM. Email Alison Brzezinski

at Alison@dominicanliteracycenter.org to register.

For more information,

visit www.dominicanliteracycenter.org or call

630-898-4636. The Center is not handicap accessible.

HELP SAVE MY FRIEND'S LIFE NANCY NEEDS A KIDNEY



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CALL 312-695-0828 OR 312-695-8900
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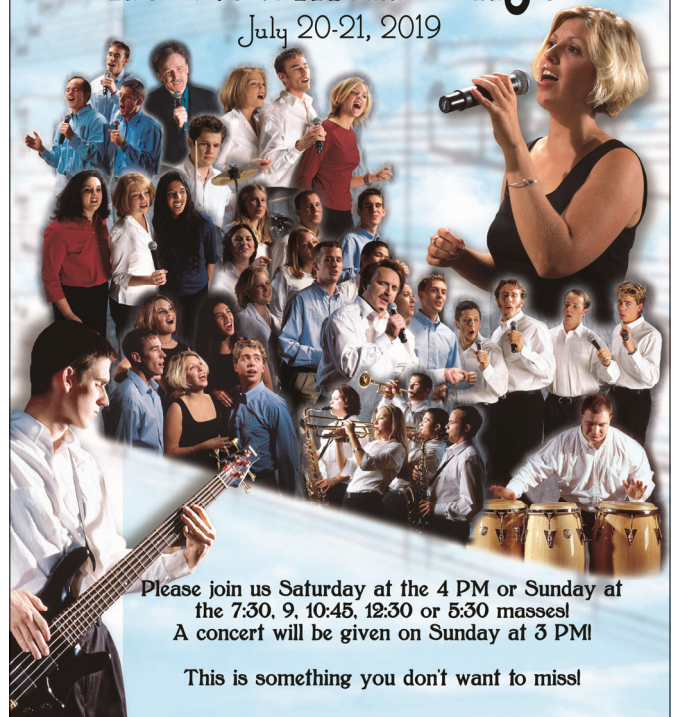
For additional information about living kidney donation, please go to
www.nm.org/conditions-and-care-areas/organ-transplantation/kidney-transplantation
<https://unos.org/>



Our Lady of Mercy welcomes

The Newman Singers

July 20-21, 2019



Please join us Saturday at the 4 PM or Sunday at the 7:30, 9, 10:45, 12:30 or 5:30 masses!
A concert will be given on Sunday at 3 PM!

This is something you don't want to miss!

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Christ Renews His Parish

SUMMER POTLUCK

Saturday, July 27th | 12-5pm

WHERE

Wheatlands Park
2700 Spinnaker Dr., Aurora 60503

FOR
QUESTIONS
CONTACT

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YOU'RE INVITED

DO YOU LIKE OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES? HAVE AN INTEREST IN SCOUTING?

Come check out OLM's Boy Scout Troop 849! Troop 849 moved to Our Lady of Mercy earlier this year and we are looking to grow. Boy Scouts provides a unique opportunity for youth to learn about faith, leadership, teamwork, community service and outdoor skills while having a great time. Our activities in the past year have included camping, hiking, canoeing and lugging. We meet on Monday nights in Room 124 at 7pm.

If you want to learn more please contact:

Spencer Coyle at slcoyle@sbcglobal.net (630-464-0480) or
Tim Hickey at hiemin@gmail.com (224-805-1919)



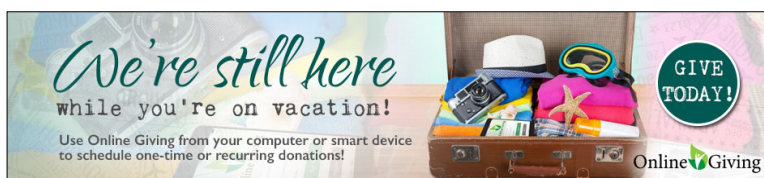
Parish Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 07/07/19)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	36,056
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	32,000
Amount in Excess of Budget:	\$	4,056

07/07/19 Sunday Collection:	\$	36,056
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	31,000
Amount in Excess of Goal:	\$	4,056

Thank you for your generosity!!



DONATE ONLINE

Our online giving portal is offered for those wishing to have the convenience of supporting God’s ministry at OLM. The site is secure and allows you to support God’s work from anywhere you have an internet connection. Look for this icon at www.olmercy.com under “Give”.



2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report

It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal	\$	133,400
Amount Pledged	\$	156,258
Amount Paid	\$	107,306
Remaining Balance	\$	48,953
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		594

GEMS



HELLO GEMS MEMBERS:

DAILY MENU TIP: Avoid the breaded and fried items where possible. While these are okay once in a while, they are not the healthiest choices and add many extra calories without adding nutritional value.

Our next GEMS meeting will be on Wednesday, August 14 at noon in the PLC. The menu for this meeting will be a "pasta bar" and salad. We are asking members to bring any type of pasta sauces (marinara, alfredo, meat sauce, etc.) or pasta toppings (meatballs, sliced chicken, etc.). As always, dessert contributions are welcomed.

"Day of reflection" activities will be announced.

Please consider bringing along a canned food item for use at Hesed House.

Are you interested in the OLM bridge club, please contact Willie at 630-898-1999 for more information.

Critics Corner Movie Club...contact Pat at 630-585-6437 for information.

If you have any questions about GEMS, please contact Phyllis Anderson at phyllisanderson5027@yahoo.com

Please pray for our sick GEMS members.

FREEZERS FREE TO GOOD HOME

Our Lady of Mercy has two (2) freezers that are no longer needed. One is a commercial 54" reach in model, and the other is a residential upright.

Neither of them work. Don't know why. To borrow from St. Paul, those that will not work will not be allowed to eat electricity.

Both of them look good, if that helps.

If you want one or both of them, please contact Facility Manager Len Eickhoff at 630-631-1676.



**We are now enrolling at
Pope St. John Paul II
Catholic Academy**

Here is what our student's are saying about our school:

"I love JP2 because our class did a "me" project. Now my class knows more about me!"
- 3rd Grader, North Campus

"I love JP2 because of the teachers. The teachers are really helpful and kind. They are also like a family."
- 5th Grader, South Campus

We are now enrolling PreK3-8th Grade. We offer a full day preschool program and Extended Care both before and after school.

Please contact our offices at:
North Campus
706 N High Street, Aurora 60505
630-844-3781

South Campus
601 Talma St., Aurora 60505
630-851-4400

**Our Lady of Mercy
Weekend Masses
July 27 & 28**

Saturday:	4:00p	Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Phil Rehmer
Sunday:	7:30a	Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Mike Plese
	9:00a	Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Tim Kueper
	10:45a	Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Tony Martini
	12:30p	Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Art Tiongson
	5:30p	Fr Mark Bernhard

Parish Activities for the Week

SUNDAY	July 21	
3:00-4:30p	Neuman Singers Concert	Church
7:00-9:00p	Adult Men's Basketball	MPR
MONDAY	July 22	
10:00-3:00p	Loving Hands Summer Project	Ministry Rm
TUESDAY	July 23	
8:30-9:00a	Coffee And...	Ministry Rm
10:00-3:00p	Loving Hands Summer Project	Ministry Rm
7:00-9:00p	Bible Study - The Mass	MPR
7:30-9:00p	Knights of Columbus General Mtg	Rm 114
WEDNESDAY	July 24	
10:00-3:00p	Loving Hands Summer Project	Ministry Rm
7:00-8:00p	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
7:00-9:00p	Praise & Worship - College	Church
THURSDAY	July 25	
7:00-9:00p	Adult Alpha	MPR
FRIDAY	July 26	
10:00-3:00p	Loving Hands Summer Project	Ministry Rm
SATURDAY	July 27	
7:00-8:00a	Fit Shepherds	Parish Grounds
8:15-10:15a	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
4:00-6:00p	Hospitality	MPR
SUNDAY	July 28	
7:30-9:00p	Hospitality	MPR
11:00-12:00p	Welcome Mtg	Rm 114

8th GRADE DAY August 7, 2019

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE PREPARATORY

STUDENTS: 9:00 A.M.-NOON
All incoming 8th graders are invited to a fun-packed day at St. Francis H.S.!

- Meet current SFHS students and fellow 8th grade future Spartans
- Participate in team-building activities
- Compete in the Spartan Amazing Race

PARENTS: 9:00-10:15 A.M.
Parents are invited for coffee and a tour of St. Francis High School

REGISTER at
www.sfhscollegeprep.org/8thgradeday

Mark your Calendars!

- Open Houses: October 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. / November 3, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
- Entrance Exam: December 7, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

1230 W. Roosevelt Rd. Wheaton, IL 60187 www.sfhscollegeprep.org 630.668.5800

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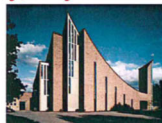
Bach & Beyond at the Abbey

Friday, July 26, 2019

7:30 pm

Members of the chapter bring forth their best playing to celebrate the music of Bach and other masters. A Festival Choir and several congregational hymns will round out a magnificent evening.

It's the 20th Anniversary, so you won't want to miss this one!



Marmion Abbey

850 Butterfield Road, Aurora, IL 60502

A freewill offering is to benefit programs of the AGO.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:00-3:45pm; Reconciliation services held seasonally.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Contact the Parish Office so we may help you in any way possible.

HOSPITALIZATION: If you anticipate a hospitalization or are admitted to an area hospital and would like a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister, please notify the parish office.

BAPTISMS: Registered parishioners wishing their child baptized must attend a parent meeting held the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Baptisms are held at 12 noon the first Saturday of the month and at 2:00 p.m. the second Sundays of the month. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent.

WEDDINGS: The bride, groom or either set of parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Weddings may be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. Contact Diane Reiter, ext. 221.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you! Please register by attending our "New Parishioner Registration/Welcoming" meeting the last Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m. For more info call: 851-3444, ext. 221.

HOSPITALITY: "Hospitality" weekend is held in the Parish Life Center Multi Purpose Room after all Saturday/Sunday Masses on the last full weekend of each month (excluding December).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, Voicemail-ext. 400

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